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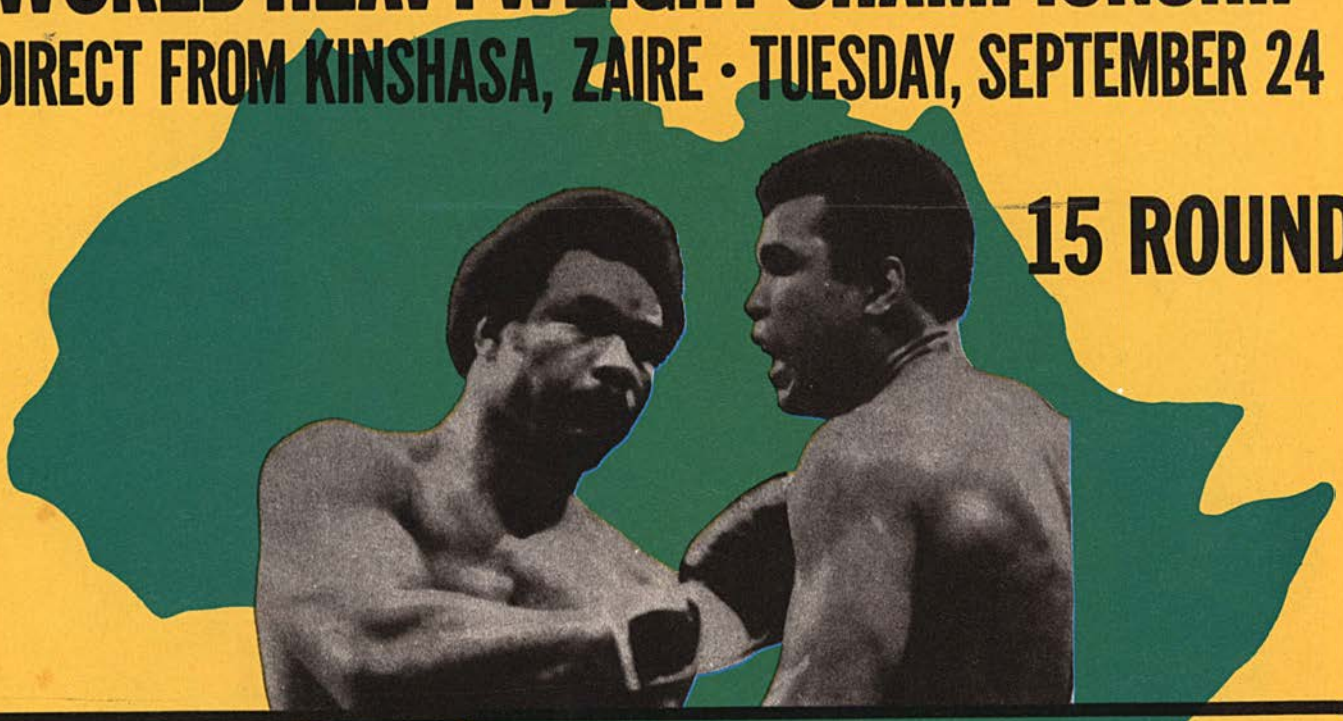

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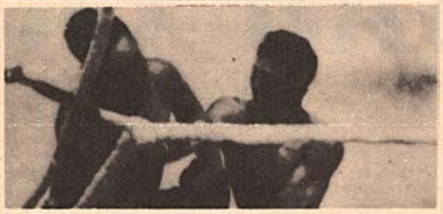

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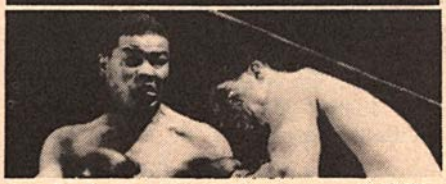

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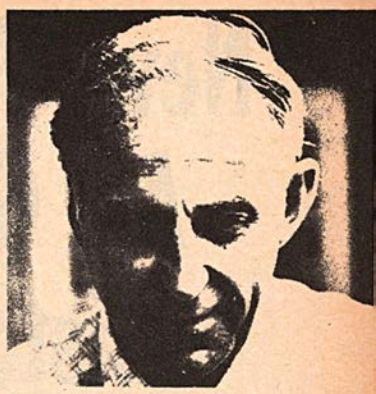


AS NAT LOUBET SEES IT

THE office boy came in with the information that a visitor wished to see the chief editor of The Ring. However, the office boy could not make out the language in which the visitor wished to conduct his conversation.

The visitor was ushered in and he announced himself in French.

It turned out that he was the press representative of the government of Zaire and of the world heavyweight championship fight between George Foreman and Muhammad Ali, to be fought on September 25 in the soccer stadium at Kinshasa.

Now here was a fine kettle of fish. Two Americans about to fight for the world heavyweight championship in the old Belgian Congo, with each fighter guaranteed $5,000,000 no matter whether the contest lasted ten seconds or 15 rounds.

With the man from Zaire speaking fluent French and the editor reduced to the necessity of making himself understood in the Unites States Army Francais, difficulties obviously arose immediately.

The visitor brought the greeting of his excellency Mombutu, president of Zaire, and the hope that the fight would make it worthwhile flying all the way to the Congo.

The visitor and the editor pieced together one of the strangest colloquies in the history of boxing.

Eventually the man from Zaire left, with a promise to return, and the editor was left holding the bag, which contained a lot of unanswered questions. They were:

1 – Why was it necessary to carry the fight all the way to Kinshasa in the heart of Africa?

A – Foreman no longer was barred from fighting in the United States because of legalistic troubles with men who had held certificates of indebtedness by Foreman. Why then?

2 – Why not fight in Mexico City, London, Paris or some other more accessible than Kinshasa?

A – Video Techniques, promoting the fight, liked the tax situation in Zaire best of all and counted not on the live gate at Kinshasa but on the closed circuit television receipts, expected to reach the heights of $25,000,000.

3 – Had there been any conversation about the referee? Was it certain that he would be an American?

A – There had been no talk, as yet, about the referee, or whether there would be two judges. Muhammad was known to be opposed to Arthur Mercante, of the New York Commission.

4 – Had Foreman set up a permanent bar against fighting in the United States?

A – He had not discussed the matter.

5 – Did the contracts for the fight promise the loser a return match?

A – In so far as is known, there is no return agreement, which, since the engagement was not scheduled for the U.S., would not be barred by any commission rules, or the WBA.

6 – Had there been any agreement on admission fees, in an area of low wages?

A – No.

7 – Had there been any agreement as to admission rates to the closed circuit TV showings of the fight around the world?

A – Yes. But they were not ready for announcement.

8 – Will the fight be governed by the proviso that if either fighter hit the deck thrice in one round he would be considered knocked out?

A – This question will be discussed before the fight. It was not agreed upon when Foreman won the title from Frazier at Jamaica.

The bizarre locale of the fight doubtless figured to add to the drama of the situation. It was calculated to be a grand congress of black men, unprecedented.

We all thought that Shelby, Mont. was an odd place for Dempsey to be fighting Tom Gibbons. Who ever dreamed that a champion and a former titleholder would fight it out in Darkest Africa?

New York Boxing In Jeopardy As Greatest Title Fight In History Is Set For Africa

By DAN DANIEL

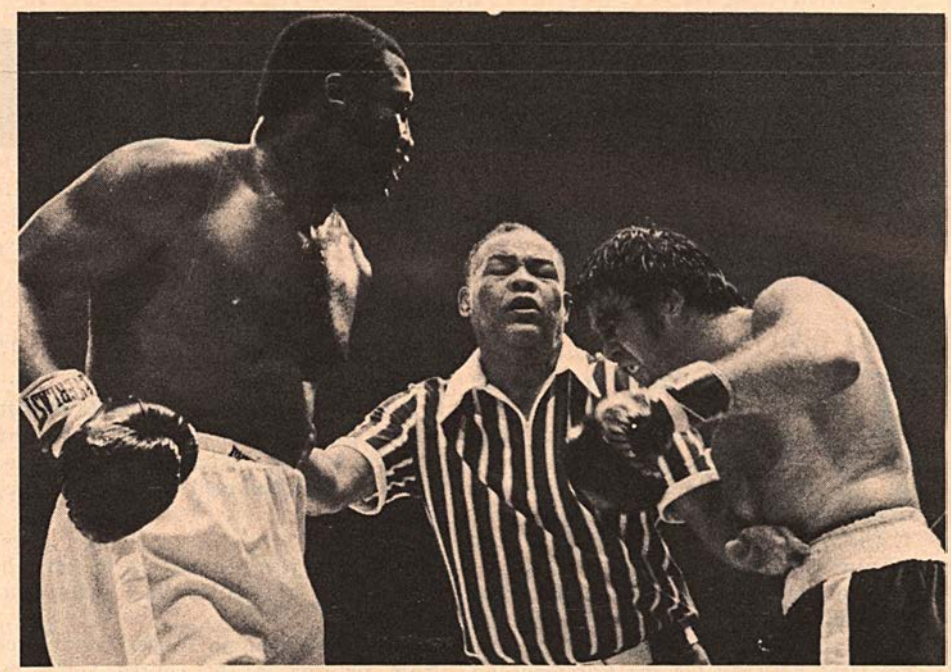
Exit, Jerry Quarry, his fistic career conceivably ended. Re-enter, Joe Frazier, off to a fresh start.

In the wings, awaiting their cues for the most bizarre defense of the world heavyweight championship, is George Foreman, the king, ready to battle for his diadem against Muhammad Ali, former keeper of the regal crown.

Behind the scenes, officials of New York's Madison Square Garden are baffled and frustrated by New York State Governor Malcolm Wilson's veto of a bill passed by the state legislature which would have permitted the big arena to resume its old place as leader in world fistic promotions.

In its strange and unprecedented entirety, the world heavyweight situation is the most unusual, most dramatic and most fantastic in the annals of heavyweight boxing.

The like of the heavyweight championship being defended in the heart of Africa's Congo is not to be found anywhere in the story of the fight game. Nor is it likely to be repeated – not with each fighter receiving $5,000,000 – a fantastic financial setup make possible by expected returns from theatre television all over the world.



Referee Joe Louis steps in to halt the onesided bout between Joe Frazier and Jerry Quarry. The old champion's action gave Frazier the victory at 1:37 of the fifth round. Could this bout have been the last big one to be seen at Madison Square Garden, what with the N.Y. State tax situation?

Video Techniques, promoters of the fight to be held at Kinshasa in the independent nation of Zaire, set forth financial expectations which may be realized, and then again could lead to unrealizable achievements.

Officials of Madison Square Garden have given the New York State authorities a year in which to make it possible for the arena to conduct boxing on a paying basis.

In the meantime there will be a general cutting down of salaries and tenures in all departments.

In Wall Street, the stock of the Garden is quoted at an insignificant 6½ with earnings, as of last February, down to seven cents a share. No Golconda, this Garden stock, nor has it been one in recent years.

Most of the stock is owned by Gulf & Western, which is represented by Alan N. Cohen, new chief operating officer of the Garden.

In essence, the Cohen slogan from now on is profits and not romance and sentiment.

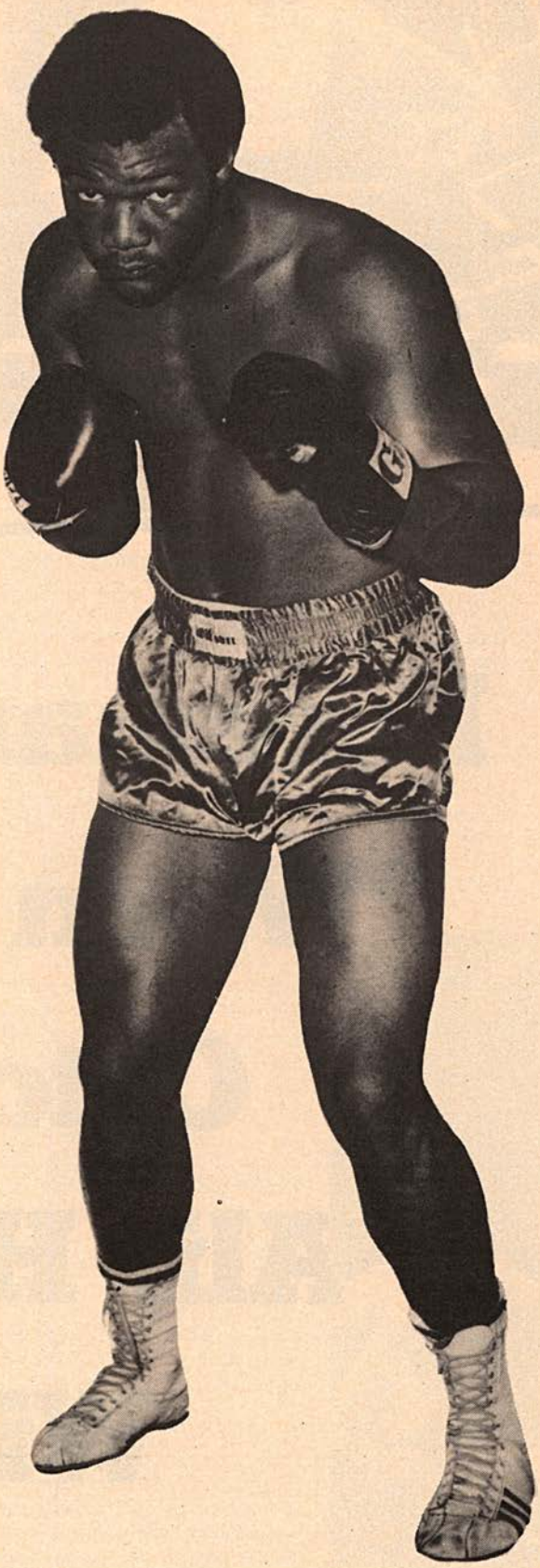
Some time ago it was announced that the Garden and State tax officials had reached an agreement which would leave big time fighters free of extortionate "bites."

When Frazier and Ali met for the first time, in the Garden, each fighter was mulcted to the extent of $348,000.

A view of the main street in Kinshasa, Zaire, where the forthcoming George Foreman-Muhammad Ali bout will take place on September 25 at 3 A.M.

The immediate result was a boycott of the Garden by outstanding heavyweights.

The Garden said it had to leave boxing or get appreciable tax relief.



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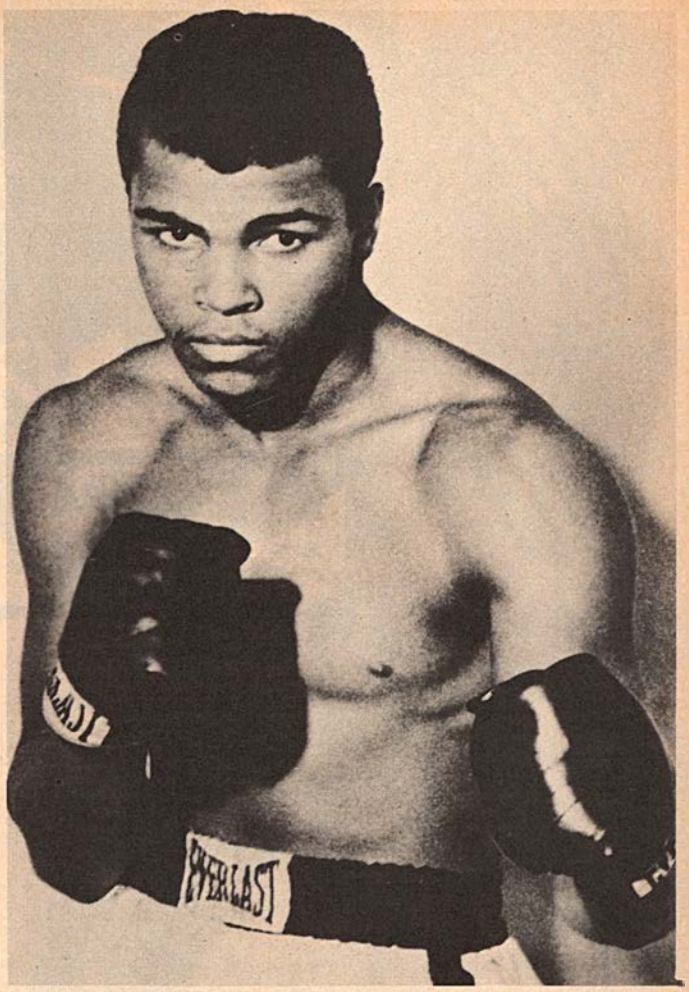

MUHAMMAD ALI
CHALLENGER

After long negotiations, a settlement of the tax battle apparently was reached.

Irving Mitchell Felt and Michael Burke, of the Garden, announced that their arena once again was in the running for big fights. There appeared to be no doubt about the coming revival in New York.

But politics is a tricky business. Nelson Rockefeller resigned as Governor of New York, Malcolm Wilson moved up into his place and the deal putting the Garden back in big business fistically died a miserable death.

Wilson's surprise veto was expecially unexpected in view of his having been nominated to run for the full four-year term as Governor of New York.

Now we face the prospect of the Garden's being forced to accept an inferior place if any, in world promotion and perhaps even more drastic action.

The Garden may elect to reduce its fight activities to bouts scheduled for the Felt Forum and its 4,000 seats and leave the big arena open for rental by outside promoters. This scheme was in operation in the old Garden many years ago.

While Garden officials cry into their beer, the biggest fight for the heavyweight title in the history of boxing is scheduled to be held in the Congo, where big fights never were held before.

While the Garden faces a comparatively demeaning role and its very existence in fistic promotion threatened, unknowns in

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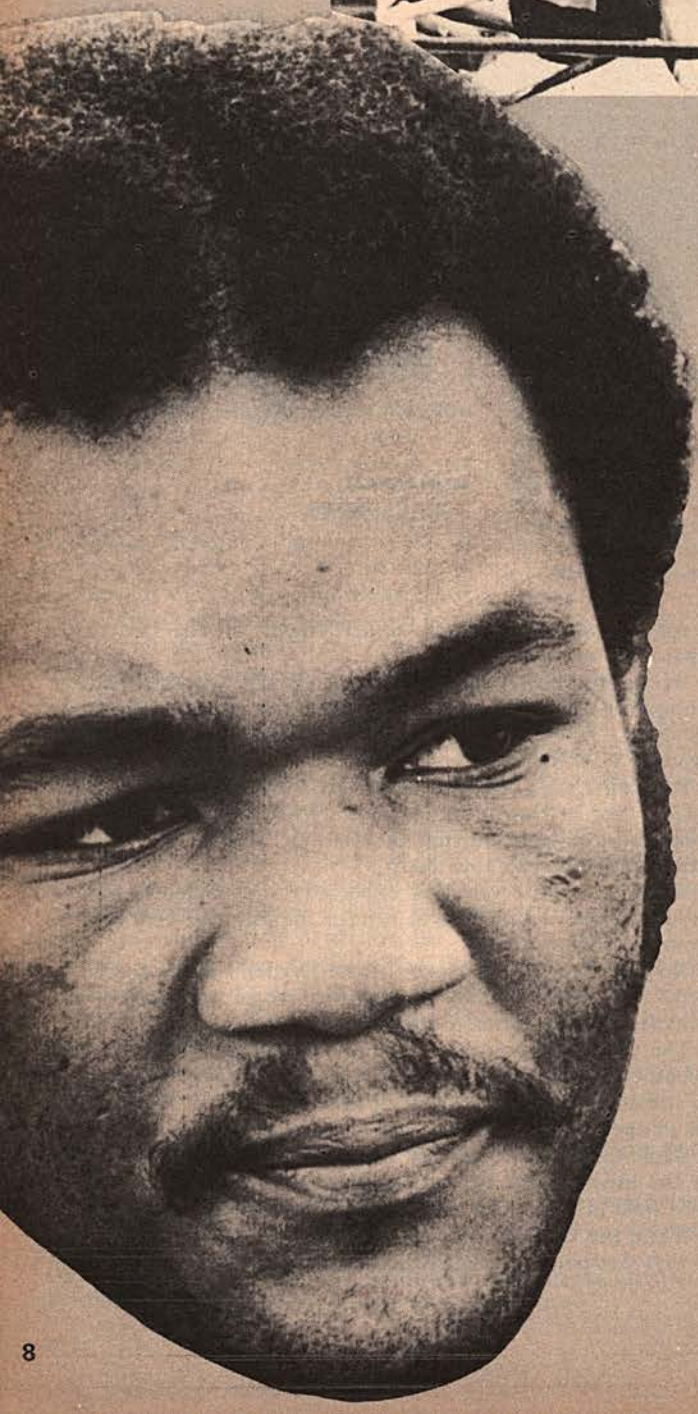
(Right) Heavyweight king George Foreman in the act of destroying Ken Norton in two rounds at Caracas, Venezuela. (Below) The countenance of one of the hardest hitters of all-time.



Foreman: "When I Catch Ali, He Will Fall"

By GEORGE FOREMAN
World Heavyweight Champion

I look forward with intense pleasure to my meeting in Kinshasa, Zaire, Africa, on September 25th, with Muhammad Ali.

That's where the talking will end and the fighting begins. If it is up to me, it will be a short fight. I have no doubt in my mind as to its outcome.

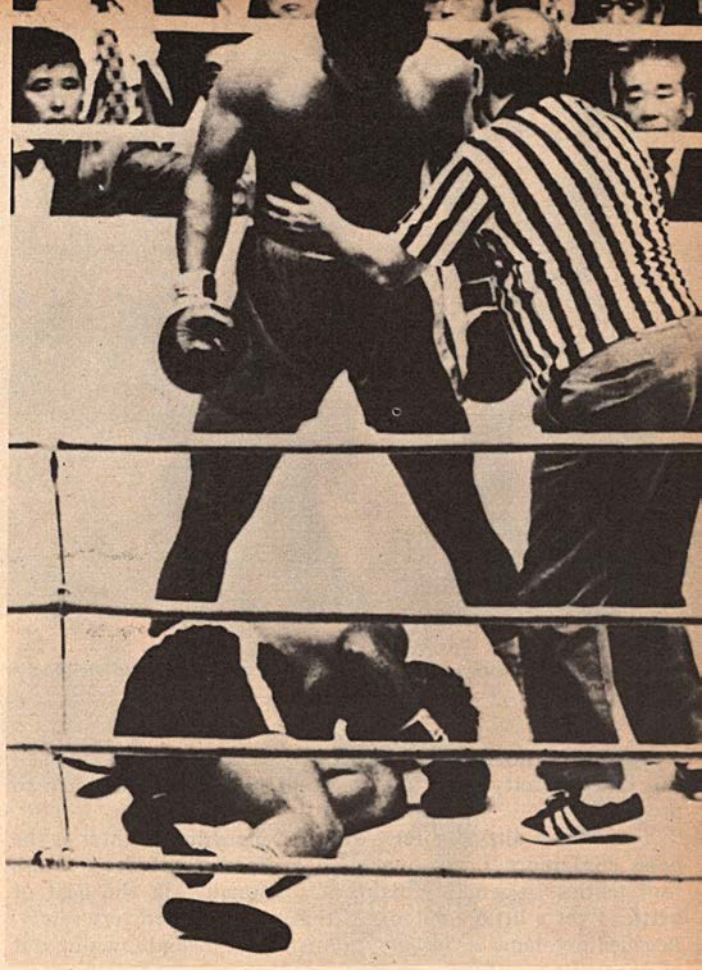
In a way, it is too bad. Muhammad Ali has been good for boxing and I hate to see him go. But like all else, eras must end. He's had his run and now its my turn.

I have never been a braggart and I strongly believe in destiny because God is the ruler of man's destiny. I have prayed and my prayers have been answered. I have faith in myself because of that. I know what I can do in a ring and admit that I am constantly learning but with such great teachers as Dick Sadler, Sandy Saddler and Archie Moore, how could I miss?

It is unfortunate that none of my recent opponents have stood up long enough to show my talents. That is not my fault. Yet, I prefer that Muhammad Ali think that I have neither talent nor stamina. It will make our fight in Zaire all the more exciting for me.

I can picture Ali's plan of battle and actually see it happening. He will dance for a while and then he will start running and then I will catch him. It was Joe Louis who said "He can run but he can't hide." That's just as it will be in Zaire. When I catch him, he will fall.

I will have many surprises for Muhammad. One of them is a left jab he may not know I have. The difference between mine and his is that mine is a punch while his is a flick. He will be pressed like he's never been pressed before. When he runs out of running room, he'll have to stand and fight me and that's where the fun begins.



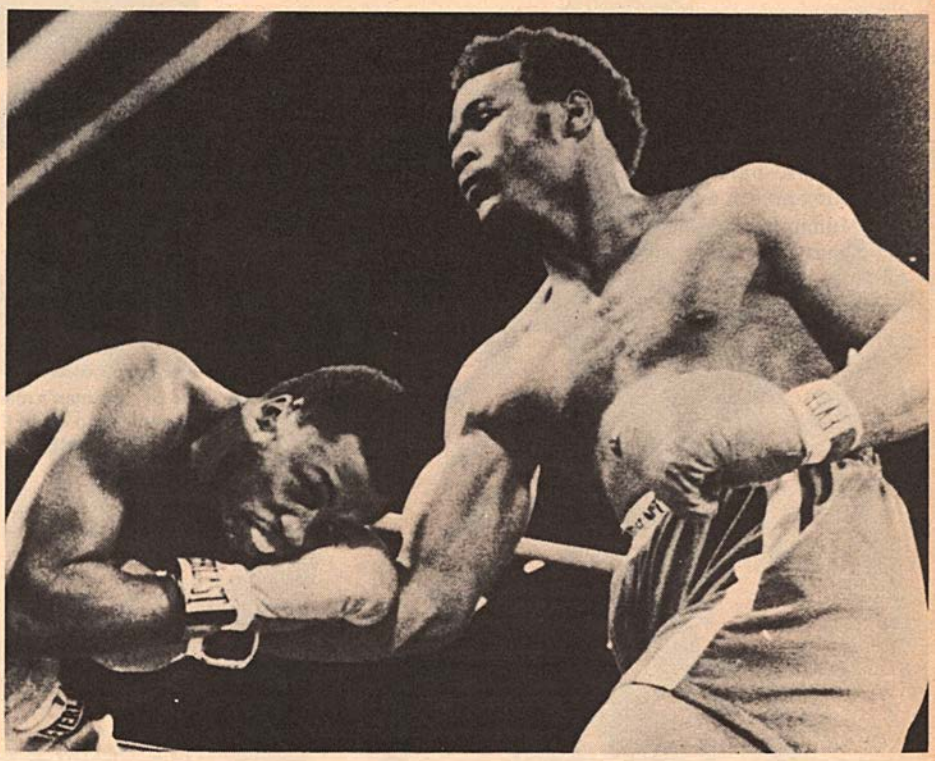
Foreman stands over Joe King Roman after demolishing the Puerto Rican in the first round at Tokyo in September, 1973.

I haven't had much opportunity to prove it yet but I have developed a pretty good straight right hand and my left hook is a weapon I hope to be very proud of. I don't pretend for a minute to be a classic boxer with speed to burn. But I'm fast enough for my needs and can box a lot better than people think I can. My best defense is my offense and, as long as I have that, I don't have to be cute in the ring. Let my opponents get cute.

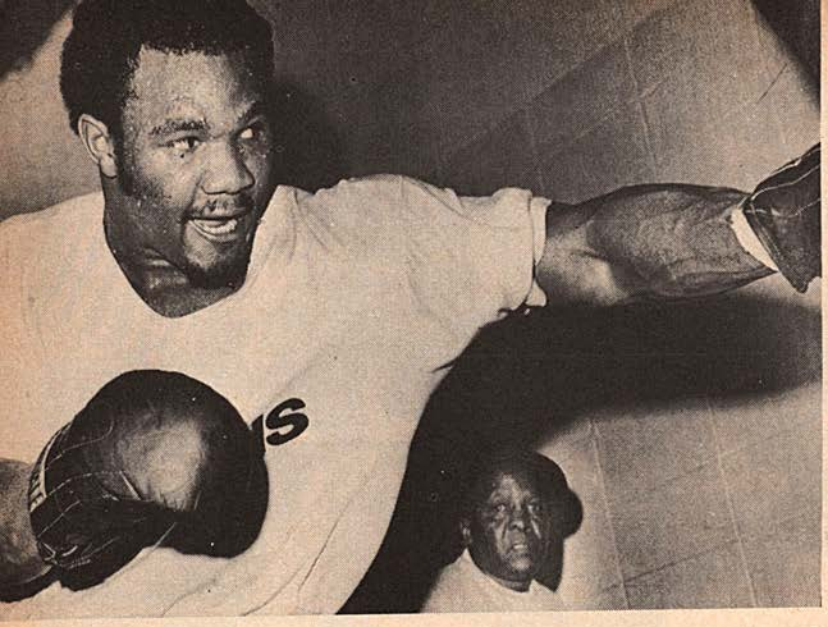
Don't get any idea that I have no respect for Ali, the fighter. He has been a great fighter and if there is a regret, it is that I am not fighting a young Muhammad Ali. It would have been most interesting. He has vast experience and knows every trick in the boxing book. He wrote some of that book himself. I don't fight by the book. I just fight and, as they used to say, "Let the best man emerge triumphant."

We don't plan our fights. We have no blueprint for each round because each round is different. Our plans are simple. First, get in condition. Second, know your opponent's strength and weaknesses. Third, fight as hard as you can and use all the attributes God gave you.

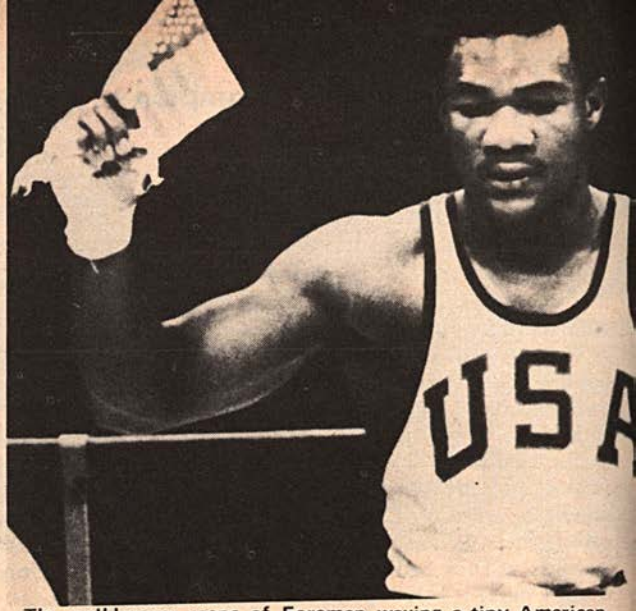
Some people say I won the title from an inferior Joe Frazier. There was nothing inferior about the guy who hit me a left hook in the first round. That left hook



Joe Frazier covers up as Foreman slams a right to the body during their encounter in Jamaica when George won the crown from Joe via a two-round knockout.



Foreman goes to work on the big bag in the gym as trainer Dick Sadler watches.



The well-known scene of Foreman waving a tiny American flag after winning the heavyweight Gold Medal at the 1968 Olympic Games in Mexico City.

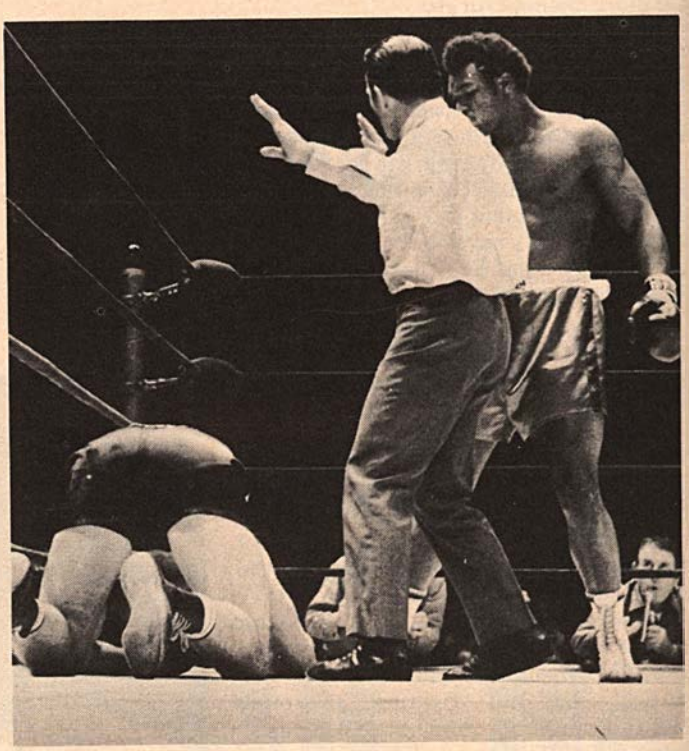
would have knocked out most heavyweights. It also proved I can take a pretty good punch, something I have not had to prove yet.

I am not a dirty fighter. Ali called me a dirty fighter at the press conference I was unable to make. I don't need to use foul tactics to win my fights. Occasionally, in the heat of battle, I get a little excited but that has happened very rarely. Because my name is George Foreman it has been blown up out of proportion.

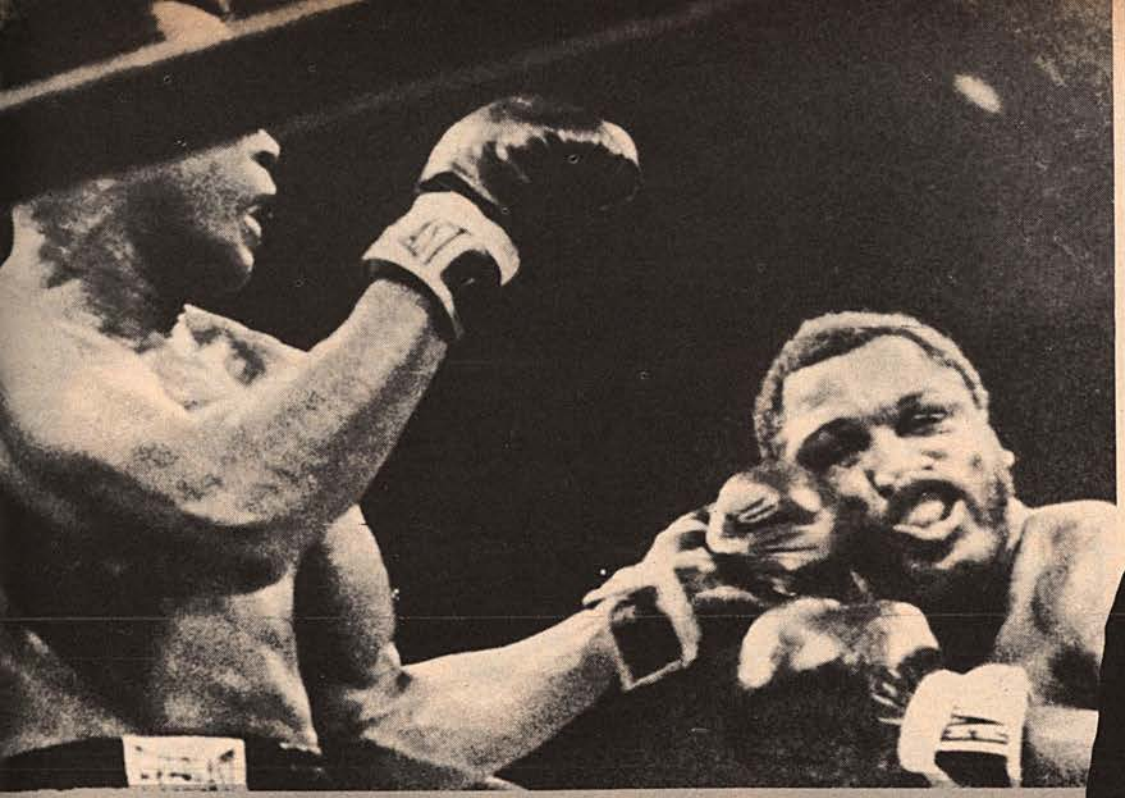
It is obvious that I will have to carry the fight to Muhammad. That's like bringing the mountain to Muhammad. I'm sure that he doesn't dare think of being the aggressor. He won't have to look for me. I'll be there. Wherever he is, I'll find him.

I don't think he has the legs to dance for 15 rounds and the fight will end when he has to take that rest, either against the ropes or clinching with me. He clinched for a good part of his second fight with Frazier. Every time he clinches with me it will be like sticking his head in a meat grinder. I will not let him rest. I will pursue and I will catch. If he deludes himself into thinking he can avoid me for 15 rounds, it is a shame.

The Muhammad Ali myth will end on September 25th. Let us hope that the legend of George Foreman begins there with glory and distinction. I will do everything in my power to make this happen.



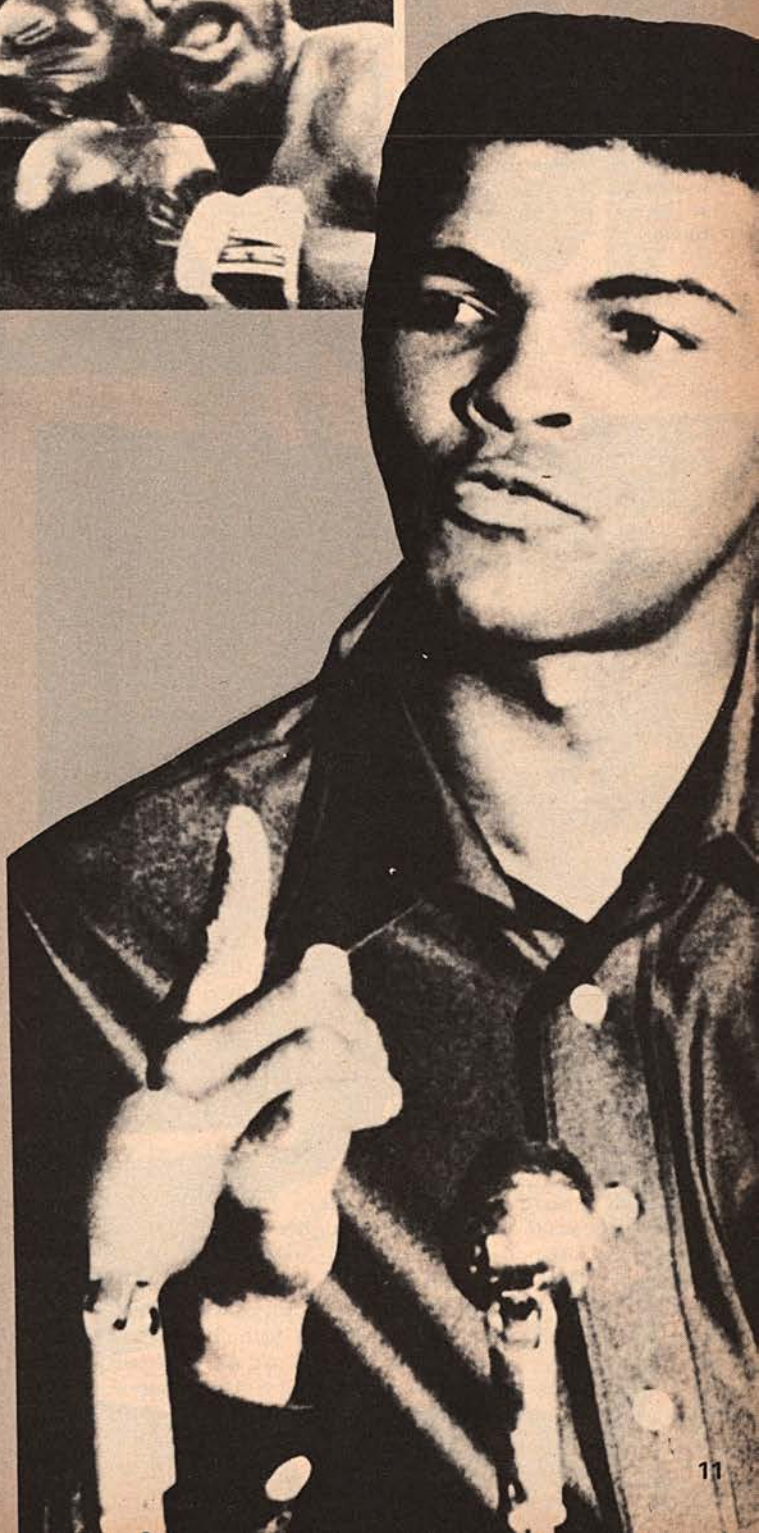
One of Foreman's many victims before he became champion was Boone Kirkman, who came East to Madison Square Garden, only to be disposed of in two rounds by the man from Hayward, California.

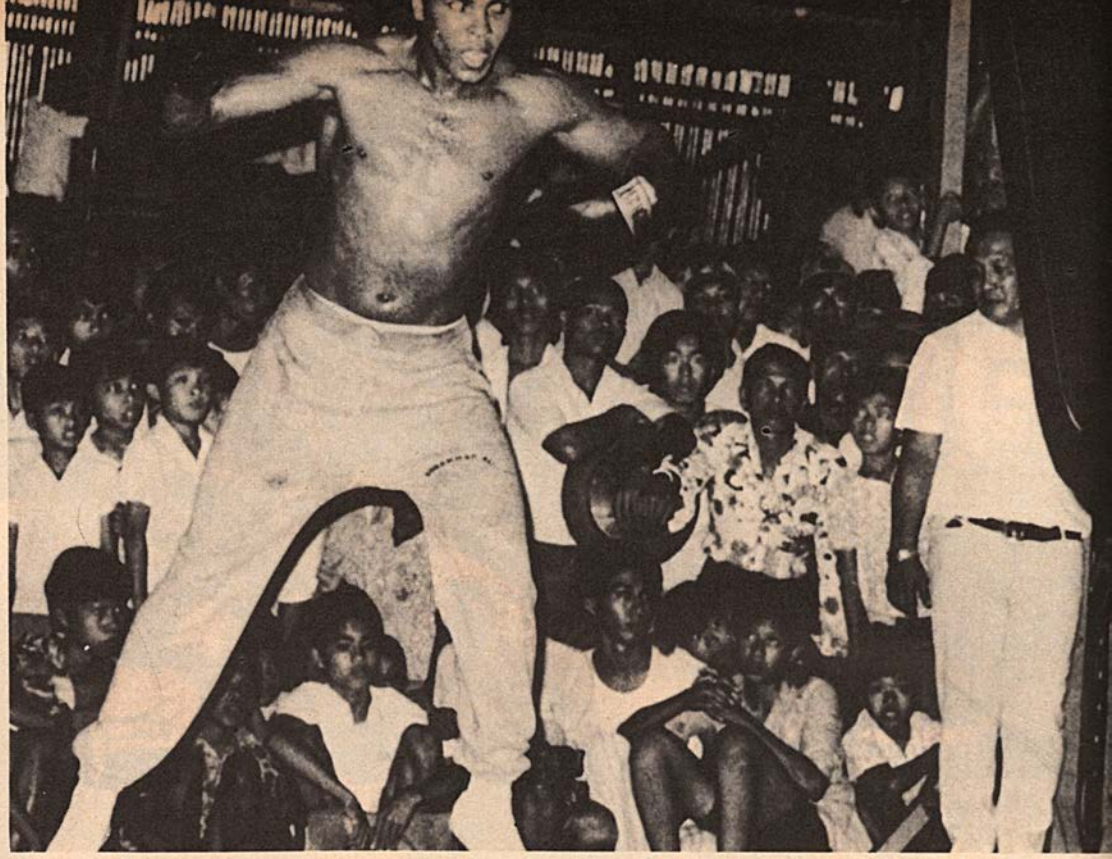


(Left) Muhammad Ali lands a hard left to Joe Frazier's jaw during the latter part of their return match won by Ali via decision. (Below) A very determined looking Muhammad.

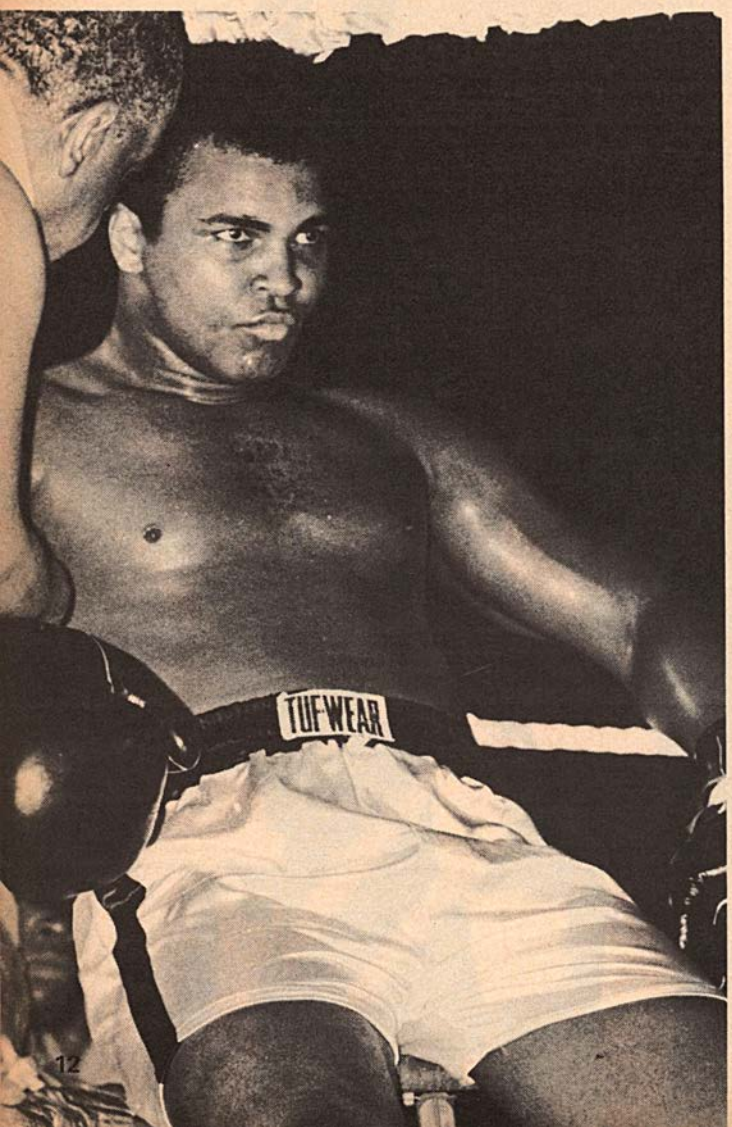
"MY SPEED WILL NULLIFY FOREMAN'S STRENGTH," SAYS ALI

By MUHAMMAD ALI
Challenger





(Right) Ali goes through some training paces while preparing for his contest in Jakarta, Indonesia, with Rudi Lubbers, whom he defeated in 12 rounds last October. (Below) A study of Ali between rounds.



George Foreman is heavyweight champion of the world. That should mean that he's also the best heavyweight in the world but I cannot accept that. He has never fought Muhammad Ali and until he does, on September 25th, in Zaire, Africa, he's just another guy who borrowed my title.

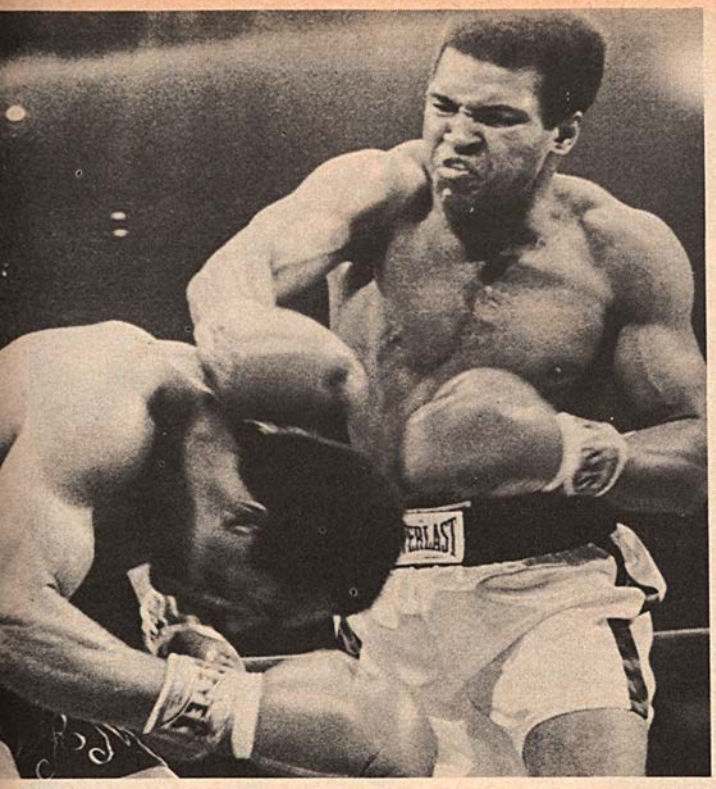
I have followed George Foreman's career almost from the beginning, not only for selfish reasons, but mainly because I am interested in all boxing and the new talents that come in. When I was training in Houston for several of my fights there, young Foreman would come quietly into the gym and, unless we called him out of the audience, you wouldn't even have known he was there. He was very shy. Of course, he was riding the reputation of an Olympic Gold Medalist, undefeated as a pro. Nobody would have ventured a guess at the time that Foreman would one day be the world champion.

How did he get there? The answer is simple. He fought the champion, Joe Frazier, in the right place at the right time. When I fought Frazier for the undisputed title in Madison Square Garden on March 8th, 1971, Frazier was at his best against an Ali not yet returned to the peak of his condition. Frazier handed me my first defeat although I still think I won that fight. But he knocked me down and the decision was his.

When Foreman fought Frazier in Kingston, Jamaica, he met a Frazier who was both overweight and still suffering from the beating he took from me. Foreman-Frazier lasted less than two rounds.

Eight months after the Frazier fight, Foreman fought Joe King Roman in Tokyo. That thing took about a minute. Finally, he went against Ken Norton in Caracas, Venezuela. The Norton who gave me a broken jaw and my second defeat and who later fought me to a standstill in a return that I won, was not the same Norton who fought Foreman. I was in Caracas and, as an eyewitness, I can tell you that Ken froze in his tracks. It was no contest.

What has George Foreman got? He's big, strong, awkward and in many ways, amateurish. Having watched his fights, I don't think he's learned too much since he won the Olympic



Ali, looking very mean, chops a right on the jaw of Ken Norton during the first round of their second bout at Inglewood, Calif. Ali won a close decision in 12 rounds.

medal. He is still awkward and amateurish and almost completely dependent on what people are beginning to call awesome strength. George is a clubber and a chopper. His punches are not short, straight and direct. He flails at you from the sides in a wide arc. Everytime he throws a punch, he sends you a message that it is coming. Of course, if you're stupid enough to get in front of it, it's going to hurt because he is strong – stronger than most.

Only five times in Foreman's career has he gone over five rounds That doesn't give him much ring time and there have been questions about his ability to go 10 or 15 rounds against a major opponent. Gregorio Peralta, an ancient and over-fed light heavyweight, lasted almost 20 rounds with Foreman. Roberto Davila went the eight-round distance with him and Levi Forte managed to go 10 rounds. These are the fellows who moved.

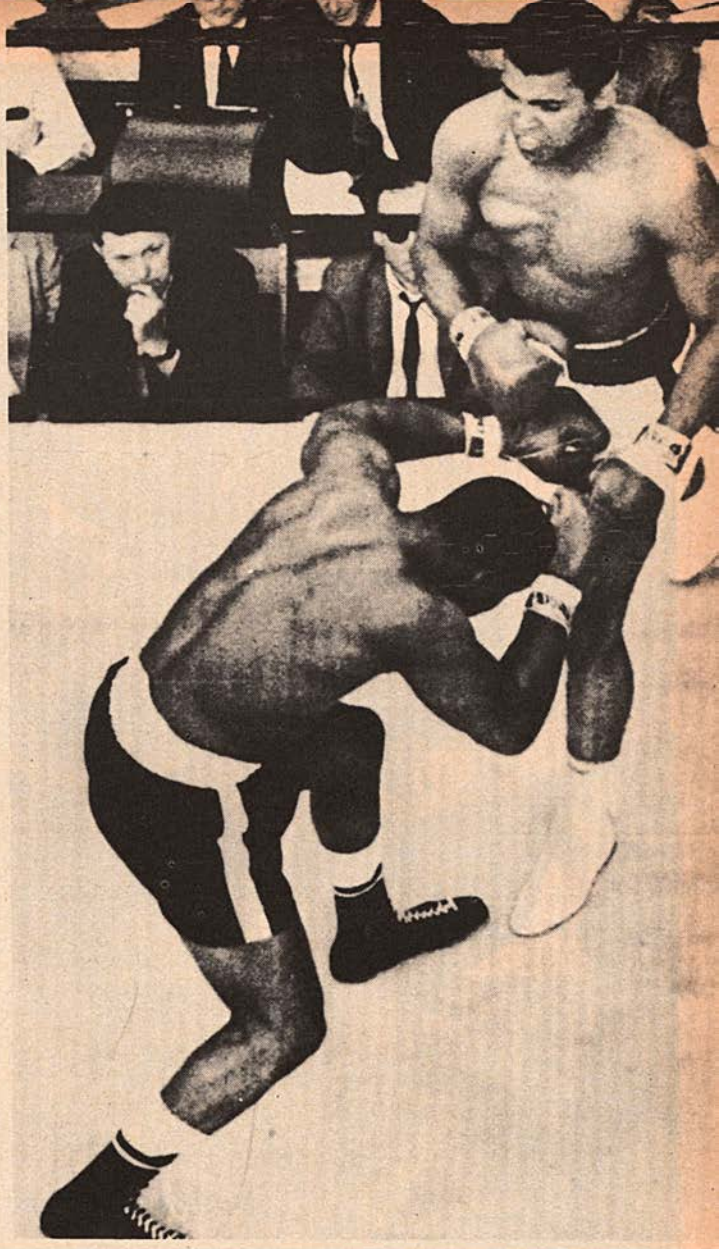
I'm not attempting to demean Foreman. I'm merely doing an analysis and trying to be completely objective. I respect every opponent I face in the ring.

How will I fight him?

Well, I can't tell you everything. First, I'll be in condition. I began achieving my top condition on my comeback in the second Norton fight. Against Joe Frazier, the second time, I was almost there. For Foreman, in September, I'll be at my best and will have no excuses.

Speed is the factor that nullifies strength. Speed is the factor that enabled me to take care of Sonny Liston twice. He was as strong, if not stronger, than Foreman. When I am right, nobody is faster of hand and foot than I am.

I am not, nor have I ever claimed to be a power puncher. I have been and still am a good puncher. The secret of my punching, however, is in proper timing and the number of blows I throw at almost unbelievable speed. It's the accumulation of my punches that does the damage.



Sonny Liston ducks as Clay tosses a right during the first and only round of their return match in Lewiston, Me. Cassius, before becoming Muhammad, stopped Liston in 1:42, in what ended up as a classic timing mixup.

Then, of course, there's my left jab. I will be using that while moving constantly. Foreman has never fought anybody like me. He will have to go at a pace he's never been asked to follow. He's not fast. He's a plodder and a shuffler. He hasn't got that light-footed agility. He will not have a target that moves at him. He will be fighting a moving target that grows smaller all the time because he'll never know where it is. By the time he gets set to throw a punch, I'll be pelting him from another direction.

The ingredients are simple. Speed and a target that is always moving, confusing. I don't think Foreman can cope with this kind of a fight. From what he's shown me – with just power – there is no way he can match my assets in a ring.

The rest is up to me. I must now condition myself to fit my plan of battle. I must be able to dance for 15 rounds. I must snap my left jab so that its timing will be deadly. I must prepare myself for a man who is at least as big as I am and will

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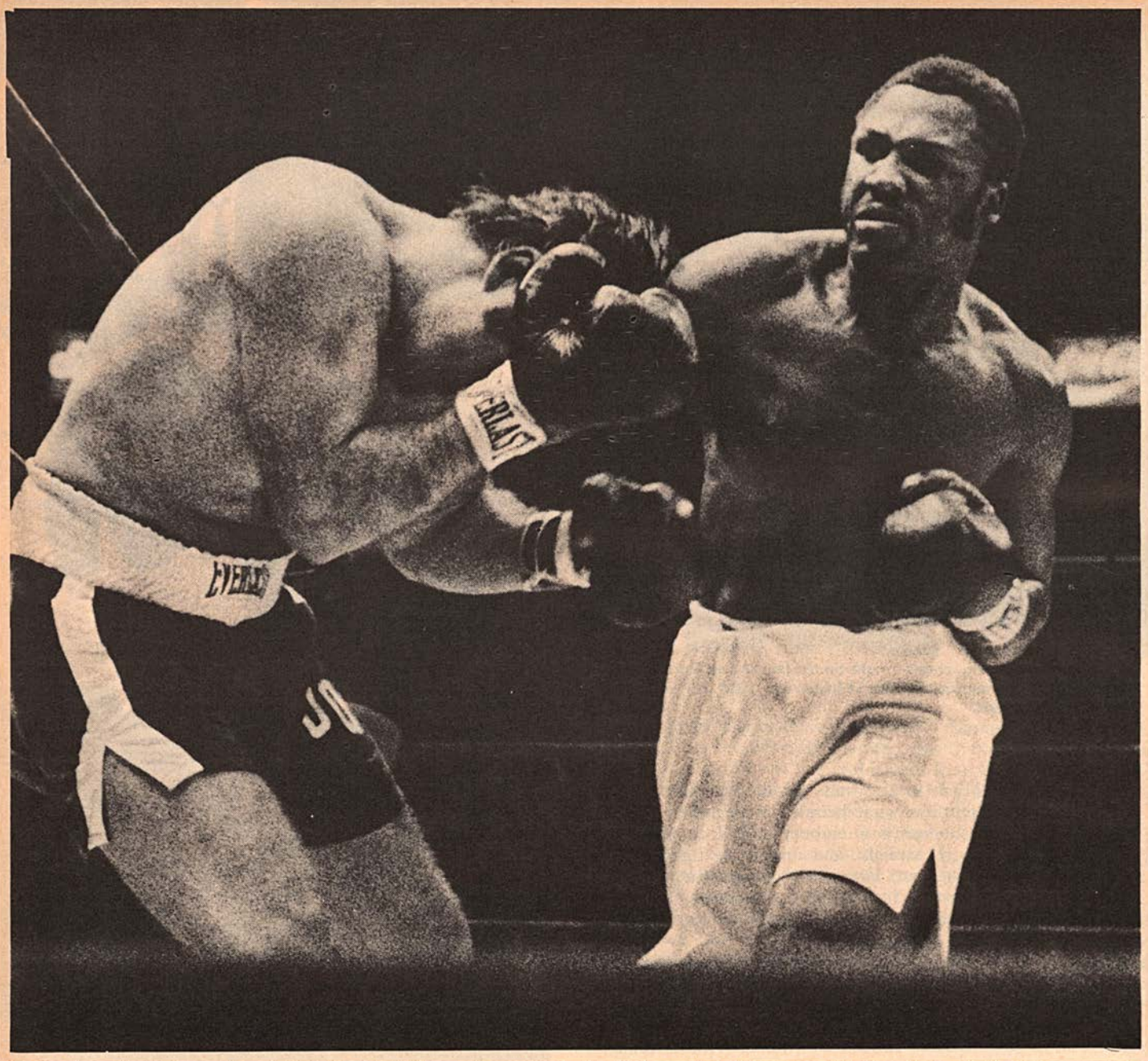

Joe Frazier crashes a tremendous right to the head of Jerry Quarry during the first round of their bout at Madison Square Garden. There was to be plenty more barrages emenating from the fists of the ex-heavyweight king.

Frazier Of Yore Gives Quarry Merciless Beating In Five-Round Carnage

By NAT LOUBET

JOE Frazier, former heavyweight champion of the world, won his second meeting with Jerry Quarry most convincingly when referee Joe Louis halted the fight at 1:37 of the fifth round.

A crowd of 14,611 paid $517,006.03—at from $10.00 to $100.00 a ticket—to witness the fight "live" at Madison Square Garden.

In another part of the arena, the Felt Forum, fans paid $15.00 to watch the contest on closed theatre TV, a product of Top Rank which combined the Frazier-Quarry fight along with that of Bob Foster and Jorge Ahumada for the light heavyweight crown being held at Albuquerque, N.M., for a double header on closed theatre video.

Both Frazier and Quarry were their same old selves with Smoking Joe once again full of fire and Jerry the same old Irishman who came to fight and that's what he did.

His efforts resulted, as they did in his first meeting with Frazier, in his being badly punished and thoroughly whipped into submission.

In their first meeting on June 23, 1969, Frazier beat Quarry to a pulp in seven rounds. When that bout ended Jerry was unable to see out of his right eye, he had swellings over both eyes and he had a gash along his right cheek.

Their second time around, the end came in a tardy fashion with Joe Louis slow in ending the contest after Quarry himself motioned to Joe that he was through and that he was in serious trouble. His hands were held pleadingly over his eyes like a beggar stumbling toward help.

Louis failed to understand and, even when Frazier backed away from Quarry and told the referee that Jerry was severely cut and unable to continue, Louis motioned them to continue what had become a massacre.

Both of Jerry's eyes had severe cuts over them. He was bleeding from the nose and mouth. He was through. Quarry's manager, Gil Clancy, waved a towel at the referee and the Garden's John Condon ran around the ringside screaming at Louis, "For God's sake stop the fight Joe . . . stop it!"

After getting halfway around the ring, Condon seemed to get Louis's eye and Joe motioned that the contest was over. It seemed none too soon. Had the fight gone much further, Quarry could have been in jeopardy of serious injury.

The evident good sportsmanship of Frazier should not go unheralded. He did not want to further damage Quarry.

Both Frazier and Quarry are 30 years old. Both still have more mileage left.

Frazier surprised most at ringside as the 6-5 underdog looked as good as the night he defeated Muhammad Ali. It was the old Frazier who seemed to have regained the power in his much vaunted left hook and better than average right hand.

Against British-Hungarian Joe Bugner though, Frazier eked out a decision. Had the loser been a puncher, there was a point midway through the fight that he would have knocked out Joe.

Is it any wonder that many thought that much of the fire had left the ex-champ for good? Not so! On the basis of this outing, he now has a clear shot at the winner of the Ali-Foreman title fight. Quarry, on the other hand, is out of the championship picture but he can still fight most of the heavyweights with the exception of Ali, Frazier or Foreman and give a good account of himself.

Frazier came into the fight a little heavy for him at 212 pounds and Quarry came in a little light for him at 197½.

There was a marked similarity in both of their fights. Frazier fought the same type of fight as did Quarry despite comments before the fight to the effect that this time Jerry would box his man, stay away from that sneaking right hand and punishing left hook that has dumped so many of Frazier's opponents.

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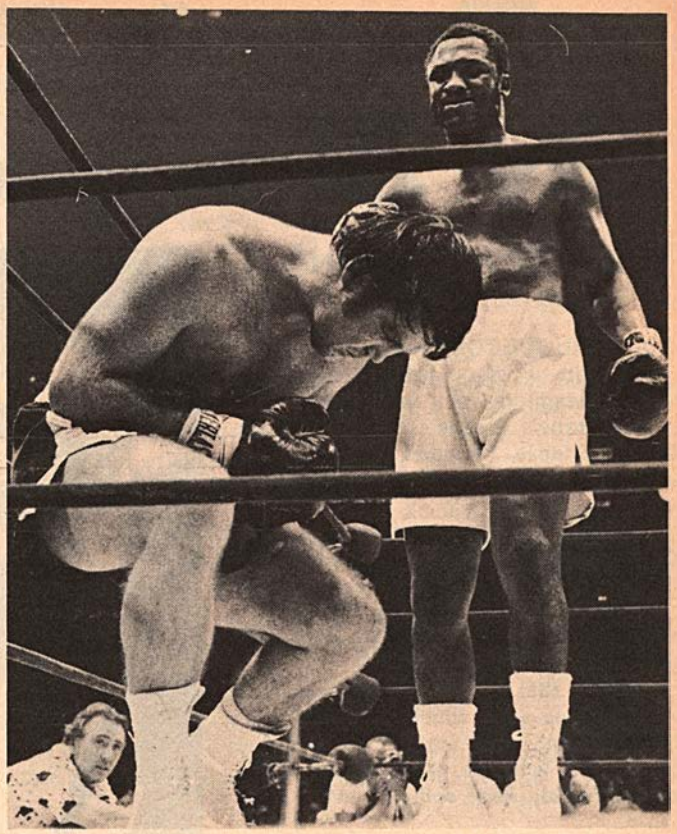
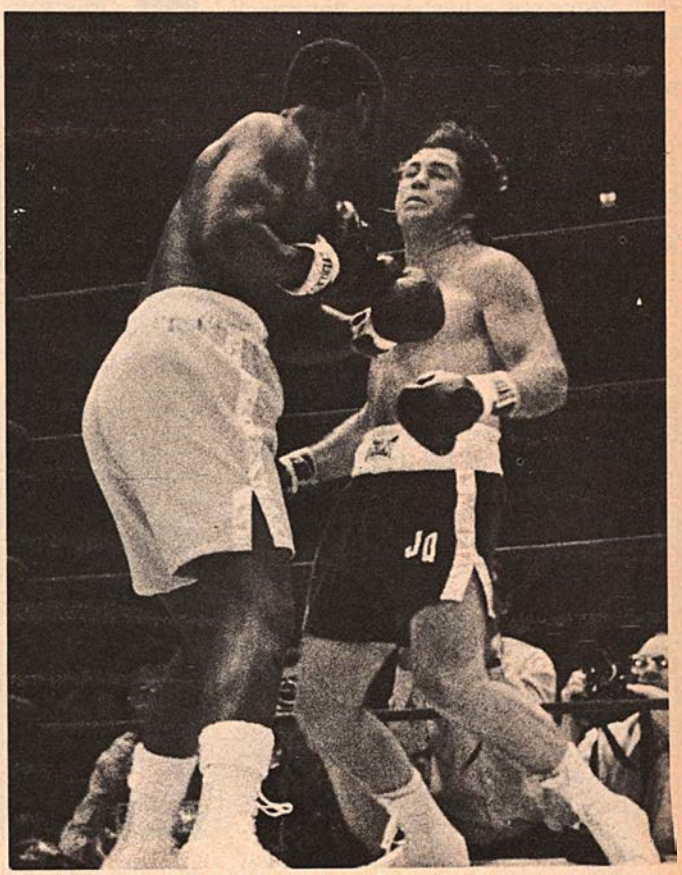


Quarry sags to the floor after absorbing a solid left to the pit of the stomach near his corner just before the bell rang ending the fourth round.



Frazier connects with his patented left hook to the head during the early going. The bout was halted by referee Joe Louis in the fifth to save Quarry from further punishment.

Foster's Title Saved By Albuquerque Draw

By HARVEY CUSHING

ALBUQUERQUE, New Mexico – Bob Foster, light heavyweight champion of the world and Albuquerque's darling, retained his title by achieving a 15-round draw with his challenger from Argentina, Jorge Ahumada.

As one wag put it "Not since The Great American Train Robbery has anything been seen like this decision."

This writer had the score by rounds, 13 for the challenger and two for the champion.

True, that is not scoring the Albuquerque way, which is the 10 point must system, but it matters not how the scoring was achieved. A blind man with a tin cup could have come up with more sense.

The scoring of the bout, which was held at Albuquerque's University Arena, must have been influenced by the fact that Foster was a hometown boy trying to make good.

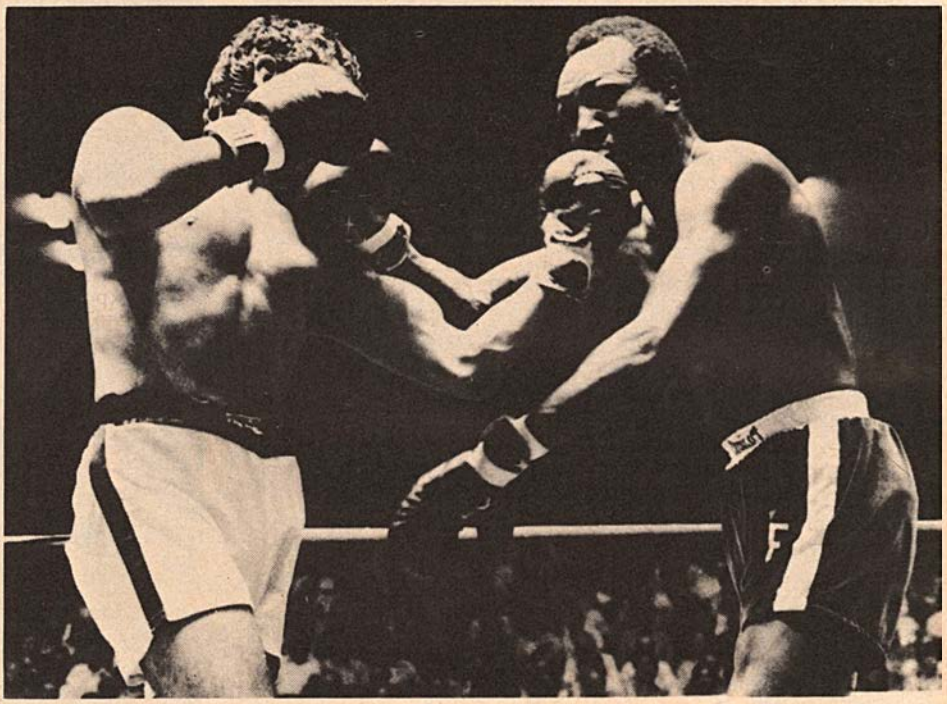
Referee Jim Cleary, who deducted a point from jhe challenger in the 10th round, still came up with a new champion. He saw Ahumada winning the fight, 145 to 142. He did not wear glasses. Judge Stan Gallup called it a draw, 144 to 144. The other judge, Tim Kelleher, had Foster way ahead, 148 to 143. And that is how the draw was achieved.

It came as no surprise that almost immediately after the contest the word was out that a rematch was in the making.

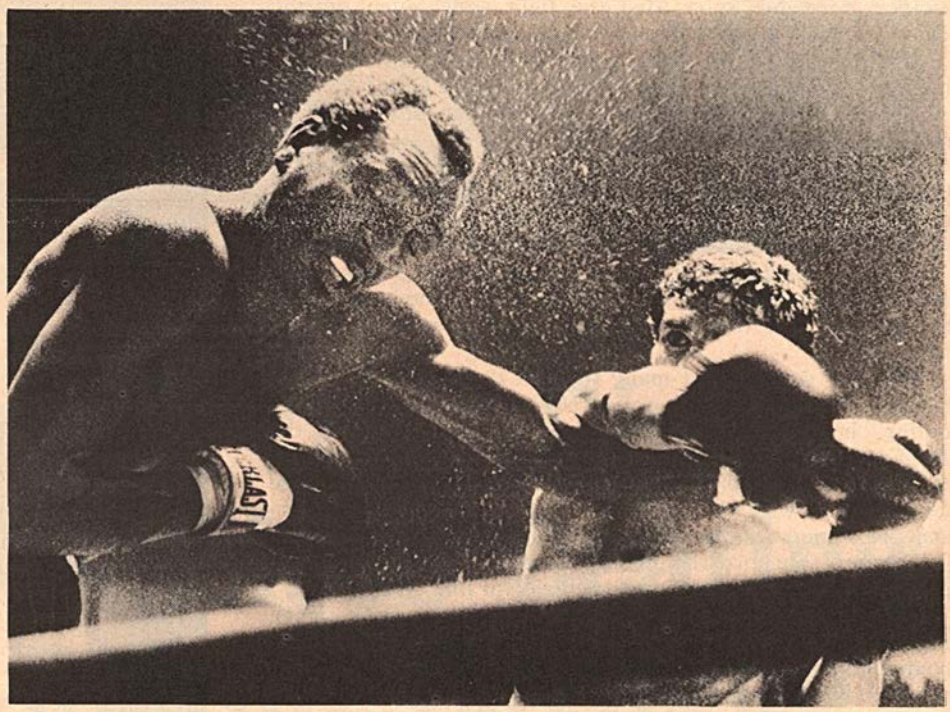
If we judge Foster on his showing in this first meeting of the pair and he does no better in the proposed second fracas, the conclusion is that if the fight is not held in Albuquerque, Foster had better think about what he is going to do for a livelihood in the future.

On the other hand perhaps this was a Foster "off night." Perhaps he will have an "on" night the next time around. If this is true, the Argentine warrior, who showed plenty of courage but not too much in any other department, including punching ability, should take good care of the money he makes in these two fights.

The fight itself was anything but scintillating with the 174-pound Foster and his challenger, at 173½, doing little to excite those watching the contest.



Jorge Ahumada connects with a crisp left to the chin of light heavyweight king Bob Foster during their title contest in Albuquerque, N.M. The official verdict was a draw but most observers thought Ahumada won.



Spray flies from Foster's head as the Argentinian challenger connects with a solid right to the champion's head. This occurred during the 10th round of the bout, part of a closed circuit television presentation. The Frazier-Quarry embroglio at Madison Square Garden was the first half of the bill.

Pete Ashlock, promoter of the affair, estimated the crowd at 11,093. He would liked to have a return in Albuquerque. Ahumada's manager, Gil Clancy, understandably perturbed at the decision, would like a rematch almost anywhere.

Lou Viscusi, manager of Foster, stated that despite rematch talk, he expected the next opponent for Foster would be another Argentine, Victor Galindez, who holds three kayo wins over Ahumada, or England's John Conteh. Only time will tell.

The first and 12th rounds were Foster's only good showings. Nowhere along the route did Ahumada seem in any danger.

In the first, it was obvious that the Argentinian was cautious and had marked respect for the champion. He showed no evidence of wanting to expose himself to Foster's reputed punching power.

However, Ahumada got bolder with each succeeding round. He made the fight by charging into Foster and whaling away with everything he had to offer. It wasn't very much but by aggressiveness and by virtue of landing blows he certainly deserved the decision.

Foster said after the fight: "He was not fast and was awkward. He never hurt me. The guy just can't punch."

One of the interesting moments in the fight came to pass in the last minute of the 10th round when a low blow by Ahumada doubled up the champion. The referee halted the fight to give Foster a minute to recuperate. He also deducted a point from the challenger's score.

The blame for Foster's poor showing was accepted by Viscusi. "I saw Ahumada only once. We took him too cheaply and it's too bad I didn't realize he was a converted southpaw. He does everything with his left hand and we should have used southpaws in training for the fight."

Foster at 35 is a sheriff's sergeant in Albuquerque and he had one of his worst nights as he battled to stave off the left hooking 28-year-old challenger.

Foster rarely used his famous left jab and long reach to hold off Jorge. His deliverance of combinations were virtually lacking throughout the fight. Foster looked like an old man who couldn't get off. He seemed to be looking for that opening to deliver his knockout punch but the opening never came.

Either Foster has had it or he had his worst hour. When men of his age go it often happens that they fall apart in all departments. Only time will tell if this is the case with the light heavyweight champion.

The case of Ahumada is unique in that he rushed across the ring to hug Foster when the decision was announced. It is a rarity in boxing for the loser to be thankful. For a man who most experts felt won the fight to be thankful for gaining a draw when he could have been the new light heavyweight champion, is even more surprising.

The fight once again points up the need for a National Boxing Commission. Under the present situation and with the type of commission existing in Albuquerque, there is no appeal that can be made to anyone on anything. This decision could stand investigating.

Teddy Brenner, Madison Square Garden ringmaster, has stated that he would like to make a rematch in the Garden

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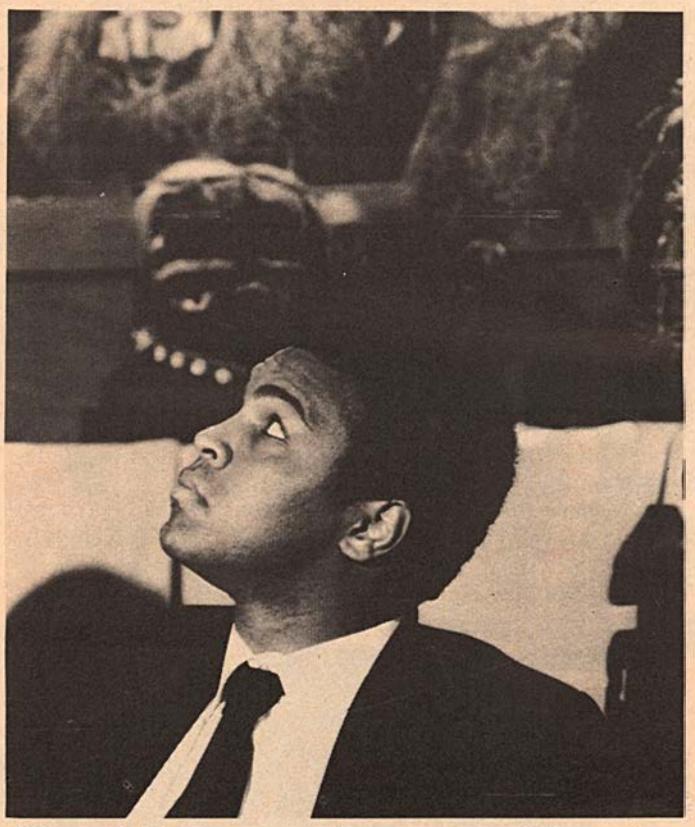
Ahumada gets a great big kiss from his wife, Maria, in his dressing room after the 15-round encounter. Jorge, of course, thought he won it.

THE NIGHT THEY LOST THEIR COOL AT THE WALDORF

George Foreman, who defended his title against Muhammad Ali in an impromptu near-riot on the dias at the Waldorf, is shown here in a much quieter moment, caressing 17-month old daughter Michi.



Muhammad Ali casts an upward glance at some African masks, symbolic of the upcoming battle in Zaire. Ali went ape at the Waldorf, tossing stemware and ripping shirts.

By GEORGE GIRSCH

It was billed as the 49th annual Boxing Writers Dinner. It turned out to be the first heavyweight championship fight ever held in the famed Waldorf-Astoria Hotel.

To the amazement of the 400-odd guests in attendance in the staid hostelry's Starlight Roof on the 18th floor, George Foreman and Muhammad Ali went at it hot and heavy just as the evening's festivities were coming to a close. Foreman, his shirt somehow torn off under his tuxedo, and Ali, in shirtsleeves because Foreman had ripped his jacket to shreds, gave the customers an exhibition they didn't bargain for and will never forget.

Ali completely lost his head as he kept heaving drinking glasses grabbed from the dais. He was held by several people but still managed to grab for bottles and candlesticks.

Fun, publicity stunts and gimmicks are all right. But when people are put in jeopardy and the possibility of someone getting seriously injured exists, that is something else.

It all erupted so quickly, it is hard to pin down just what did start it. Ali, billed as the guest speaker, had done a seemingly good job for about a half hour. He was in a fine fettle, telling how Foreman was not really a hard puncher, demonstrating how awkward he thinks Foreman is, etc. He squelched a couple of female hecklers in the audience, as well as Dick Sadler, Foreman's trainer. All the while, Foreman sat stony-faced during Ali's quips. Ex-champ Floyd Patterson, on the other hand, was laughing so hard throughout he had to keep a napkin over his face. Ali kept needling George, trying to get him to crack a smile. Finally, Sadler, seated in the audience, ran to the rostrum and sang a song saying that Foreman will knock out Ali quickly. That brought a big grin to Foreman's face.

Ali then resumed his needling. Foreman then arose, took the microphone and said, "I got to leave. I don't know how you people can stand this."

George then picked up his Edward J. Neil plaque, emblematic of the Fighter of the Year Award, and the championship belt awarded him by The Ring Magazine's Nat Loubet, and started to walk off as Master of Ceremonies John Condon was bidding goodnight to the assemblage, Clay then playfully, it appeared, grabbed for Foreman's plaque. Foreman attempted to get it back, ripping Ali's jacket in the process. Ali somehow tore Foreman's shirt off. Then it seemed, all Hell broke loose as the pair attempted to get at each other.

If they try half as hard in Zaire on September 25, when they'll be paid five-million apiece for doing it, the fans will see quite a battle.

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FOREMAN-ALI PROMOTERS PREDICT RECORD VIEWING OF CLOSED CIRCUIT TV

Henry Schwartz, executive vice president of Video Techniques. (Left) with Murray Goodman, well-known sports publicity figure.

Don King, vice president of Video Techniques, who secured the signatures of Foreman and Ali on contracts for the bout.

By DAVID BERMAN

From Kingston, Jamaica, where George Foreman sledge-hammered Joe Frazier out of the title, to Kinshasa, Zaire, with a short stopover in Caracas, Video Techniques, Inc. has moved into the world of closed circuit boxing.

The New York firm, listed over the counter, began business in 1970 as an equipment supplier for the closed circuit industry, specializing in boxing and other sporting events along with industrial applications.

Jointly founded by Barry Burnstein, president, and Henry Schwartz, executive vice president, Video Techniques expanded to include a subsidiary, Video Cable Communications, which manufactures both color and black and white closed circuit projectors.

Having successfully supplied equipment and services for many of the major fights, Schwartz and Burnstein began looking at the possibility of acquiring the ancillary rights for a major bout. That became a reality with the Foreman-Frazier fight in Jamaica.

Relying on the talents of Burnstein to market the fight and Schwartz to produce the television production, Video produced the event with the promoters, National Sports Limited of Jamaica, and enjoyed a tremendous technical success.

And now comes the biggest fight ever put together – George Foreman vs. Muhammad Ali – with each fighter guaranteed five million dollars.

"Video Techniques," according to Schwartz, "has been employed by the promoters to provide all technical and world communication aspects of the bout, including production."

"This fight will take place in a 100,000 seat outdoor soccer stadium," Schwartz explained, "but the Jamaica battle was also held under the stars, so we really don't envision any problems. The big thing everyone seems to worry about is rain but the ring will be covered by a thatched roof to protect the

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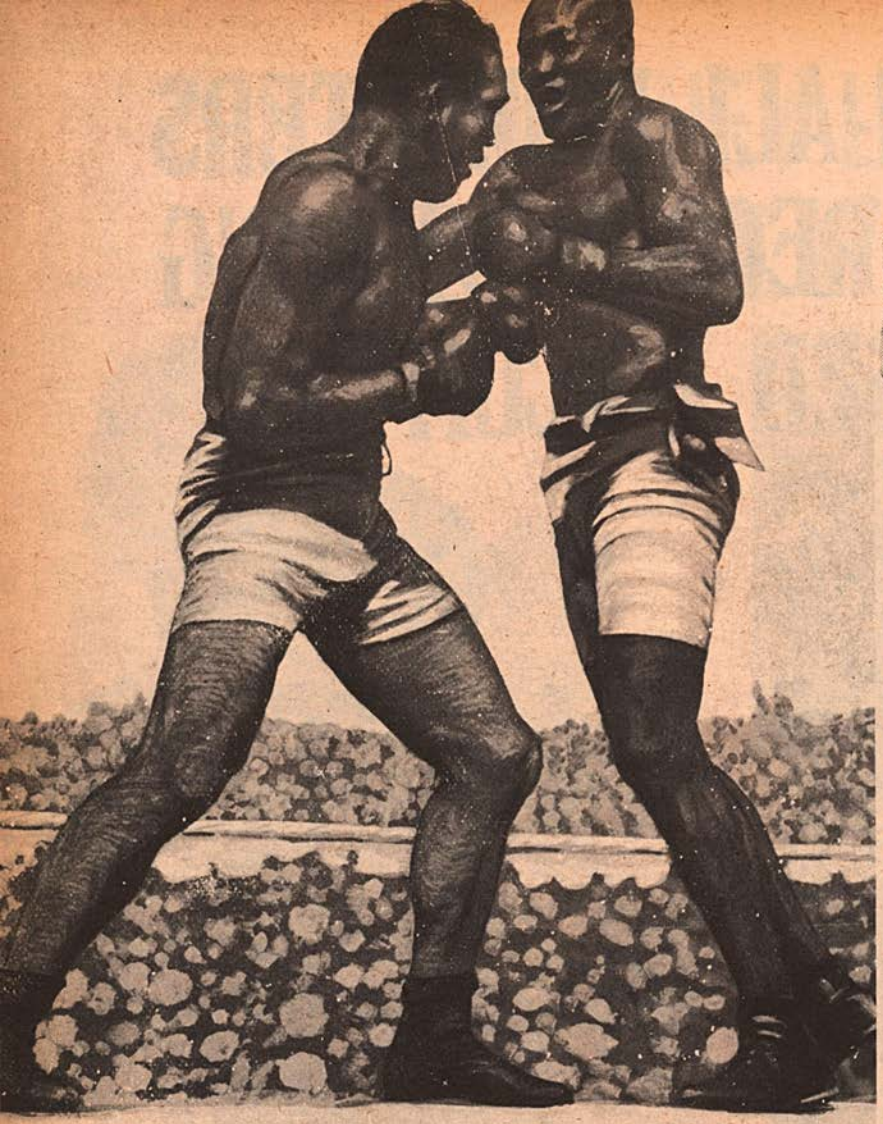
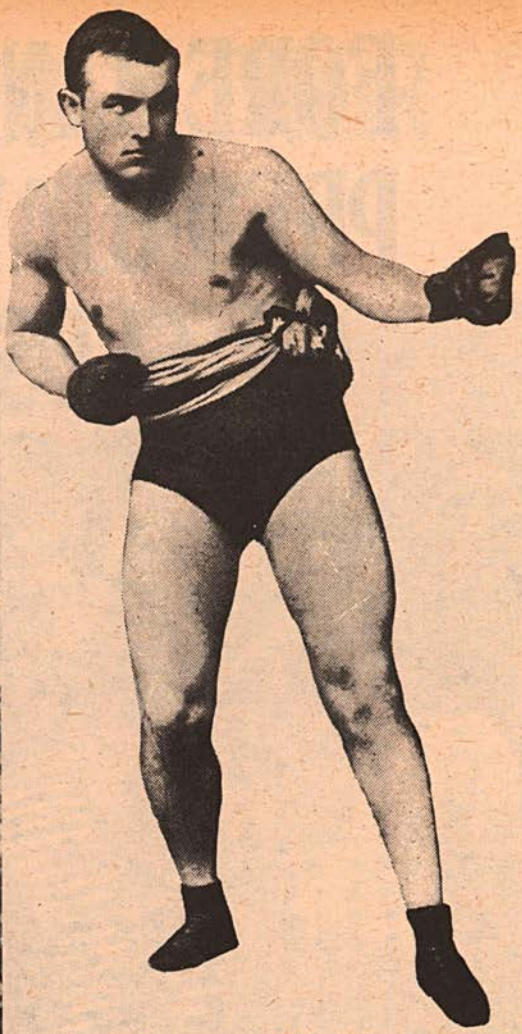


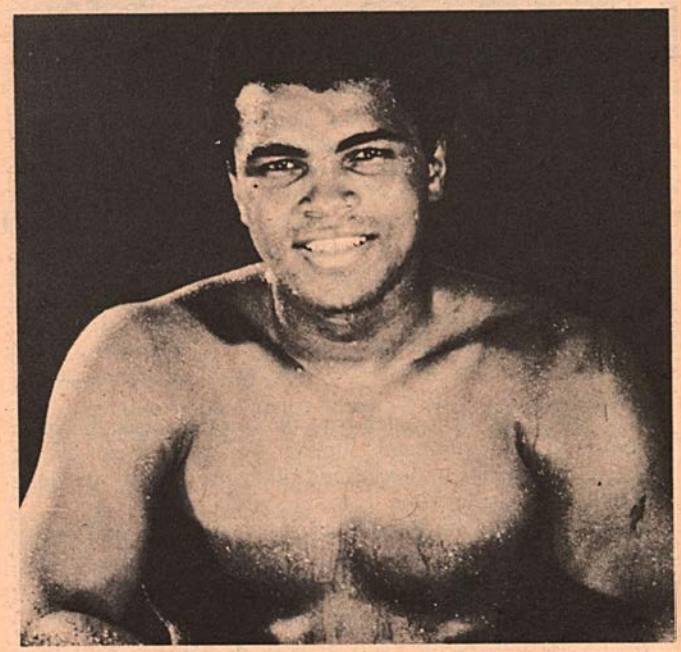
A scene from the Jack Johnson-Jim Jeffries bout at Reno, Nevada, July 4, 1910. Johnson's knockout victory in the 15th dispelled any doubts of his claim to the heavyweight championship. He later was forced to defend his title overseas.



Tommy Burns, who put his crown on the line eight times in far off lands, losing to Johnson in Sydney, Australia, on December 26, 1908.

FOREMAN A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY?

By GEORGE GIRSCH



Muhammad Ali Cassius Clay is the last heavyweight monarch to have defended his title on foreign soil.

When John L. Sullivan lost his precious heavyweight championship of the world to Gentleman Jim Corbett back in 1892, the first comment made by the defeated Boston Strong Boy was, "If I had to lose, I'm glad the championship was won by an American."

There have been 24 men since the Great John L. to have captured the coveted crown. Of that group, every man but one – George Foreman, the current titleholder – has defended the crown in the United States.

Foreman, as everyone knows, won the heavyweight diadem by stopping Joe Frazier in two rounds in 1972 at Kingston, Jamaica. He has since defended twice, scoring early knockouts over Joe King Roman at Tokyo, Japan, and Ken Norton at Caracas, Venezuela. His next outing will be at Kinshasa, Zaire, the heart of Africa, against Muhammad Ali Cassius Clay on September 25th, the first heavyweight title engagement ever to be held on the Dark Continent.

It is a very strange situation, indeed; Foreman, the heavyweight gold medal winner at the 1968 Olympic Games, began his pro career in 1969. Until meeting Frazier for the title in Jamaica, Foreman had fought every one of his bouts in the U.S.

A series of managerial, financial and legal problems has caused Foreman to avoid doing battle in his native land. At the rate George is going, he could very well turn out to be boxing's first man without a country.

It was not until the reign of Tommy Burns as champion that a heavyweight title contest took place anywhere but on American soil.

Burns, of course, was a Canadian, born Noah Brusso. There have been four other foreign-born champions – Bob Fitzsimmons (England), Max Schmeling (Germany), Primo Carnera (Italy) and Ingemar Johansson (Sweden). Nevertheless, they all won and defended the title in the U.S.

George Foreman, the current heavyweight king. Will he ever defend his title in the U.S.A.?

Primo Carnera, the Italian Goliath, made the first defense of his title in Rome, defeating Paolino Uzcudun in 15 rounds.

It was in the latter part of 1907 that Burns, after disposing of Australia's Bill Squires for the first time – Burns was to knock him out twice more – decided to go to Europe.

Burns stopped Gunner Moir in 10 rounds on December 2 in London. Then, on February 10, 1908, the Canadian halted Jack Palmer, also in London, in four rounds.

The following month, on St. Patrick's Day, to be exact, Burns journeyed across the Irish Sea to Dublin, where he disposed of Jem Roche in the first round. It was 32 days later that the Canadian

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WORLD RATINGS

By NAT LOUBET

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
GEORGE FOREMAN, Hayward, Calif.
1–**MUHAMMAD ALI (CASSIUS CLAY),** Cherry Hill, N.J.
2–**JOE FRAZIER,** Philadelphia, Pa.
3–**KEN NORTON,** San Diego, Calif.
4–**RON LYLE,** Denver, Colo.
5–**JERRY QUARRY,** Los Angeles, Calif.
6–**OSCAR BONAVENA,** Argentina
7–**JOE BUGNER,** England
8–**CHUCK WEPNER,** Bayonne, N.J.
9–**LARRY MIDDLETON,** Baltimore, Md.
10–**HENRY CLARK,** San Francisco, Calif.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BOB FOSTER, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–**JORGE AHUMADA,** Argentina
2–**JOHN CONTEH,** England
3–**LEN HUTCHINS,** Detroit, Mich.
4–**VICTOR GALINDEZ,** Argentina
5–**KARL HEINZ KLEIN,** Germany
6–**TOM BOGS,** Denmark
7–**PIERRE FOURIE,** South Africa
8–**RICHIE KATES,** Philadelphia, Pa.
9–**AVENAMAR PERALTA,** Argentina
10–**ALVARO LOPEZ,** Stockton, Calif.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
CARLOS MONZON, Argentina
1–**RODRIGO VALDEZ,** Colombia
2–**TONY MUNDINE,** Australia
3–**TONY LICATA,** New Orleans, La.
4–**BENNIE BRISCOE,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5–**GRATIEN TONNA,** France
6–**EMILE GRIFFITH,** New York, N.Y.
7–**KEVIN FINNEGAN,** England
8–**OSCAR ALVARADO,** Uvalde, Texas
9–**KOICHI WAJIMA,** Japan
10–**JEAN-CLAUDE BOUTTIER,** France

WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOSE NAPOLES, Mexico
1–**CLYDE GRAY,** Canada
2–**HEDGEMAN LEWIS,** Detroit, Mich.
3–**ANGEL ESPADA,** PuertoRico
4–**FAUSTO RODRIGUEZ,** Dominican Rep.
5–**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
6–**JOHN STRACEY,** England
7–**ELISHA OBED,** Nassau, Bahamas
8–**ROGER MENETREY,** France
9–**BILLY LLOYD,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10–**JOHNNY GANT,** Washington, D.C.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
(not over 140 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ANTONIO CERVANTES, Colombia
1–**BRUNO ARCARI,** Italy
2–**ESTEBAN DeJESUS,** Puerto Rico
3–**HECTOR THOMPSON,** Australia
4–**CARLOS GIMINEZ,** Argentina
5–**TONI ORTIZ,** Spain
6–**ROGER ZAMI,** France
7–**MIGUEL BARRETO,** Puerto Rico
8–**ALFONSO FRAZER,** Panama
9–**TONY PETRONELLI,** Taunton, Mass.
10–**HECTOR MATTA,** Puerto Rico

JOE FRAZIER FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

THERE was only one candidate for the Fighter of the Month designation and he was Joe Frazier.

The former world champion achieved the laurels with a fifth-round KO of Jerry Quarry, who entered the ring a slight favorite and was subjected to one of the most severe beatings administered to a heavyweight aspirant since the days of John L. Sullivan.

It was even a worse beating than Frazier himself had to take from George Foreman.

Foreman whipped Joe in two rounds. Quarry had to take it from Joe for four rounds plus 1 minute, 37 seconds. Then Joe Louis, referee, belatedly stopped it.

Beaten so severely in his courageous stand, Quarry appeared likely to call it a career. His sobbing bride felt that he had been around a bit too long and was entitled to say farewell to the ring.

The Frazier-Quarry fight was far and away the most prominent of the month and possibly New York's last big scrap for some time, the governor of New York having killed arrangements which the Garden had made with New York State tax officials.

Insofar as the ratings are concerned, the most prominent movement of fighters was noted in the return of Frazier as a title contender. He had been given up after his so-so showing against Joe Bugner.

Also a prominent change came in the lightweight class, which lost the important presence of Esteban DeJesus, of Puerto Rico.

Bowing to the demands of nature and his growth out of the lightweight class, DeJesus shifted to the junior welter division. Esteban had failed in his final shot at the lightweight title in his eleventh round failure against Roberto Duran, in Panama.

The Rating Committee moved DeJesus into the No. 2 niche in the junior welter division.

RATINGS

RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING JULY 15, 1974

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ROBERTO DURAN, Panama
1–**KEN BUCHANAN,** Scotland
2–**RAY LAMPKIN,** Portland, Ore.
3–**ANGEL MAYORAL,** Las Vegas, Nev.
4–**ISHIMATSU SUZUKI,** Japan
5–**RUDY BARRO,** Philappines
6–**JIMMY HEAIR,** Los Angeles, Calif.
7–**HUGO GUTIERREZ,** Argentina
8–**RODOLFO GONZALEZ,** Mexico
9–**RAY LUNNY III,** San Franciscoo, Calif.
10–**JIM WATTS,** Scotland

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
(not over 130 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
BEN VILLAFLOR, Philippines
1–**KUNIAKI SHIBATA,** Japan
2–**ALFREDO ESCALERA,** Puerto Rico
3–**SVEN-ERIK PAULSEN,** Norway
4–**APOLLO YOSHIO,** Japan
5–**TYRONE EVERETT,** Philadelphia, Pa.
6–**LOTHAR ABEND,** Germany
7–**SAMMY GOSS,** Trenton N.J.
8–**VICTOR ECHEGARAY,** Argentina
9–**JEAN-BAPTISTE PIEDVACHE,** France
10–**ANTONIO AMAYA,** Panama

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–**RUBEN OLIVARES,** Mexico
2–**BOBBY CHACON,** Los Angeles, Calif.
3–**ALFREDO MERCANO,** Venezuela
4–**EDER JOFRE,** Brazil
5–**LIONEL HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
6–**ALEX AGUELLO,** Nicaragua
7–**ART HAFEY,** Canada
8–**DANNY LOPEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9–**ANTONIO (GITANO) JIMINEZ,** Spain
10–**LORENZO TRUJILLO,** Houston, Texas

Jorge Ahumada's draw decision against Bob Foster lifted him into the No. 1 contender spot and demoted John Conteh of Britain. This may appear to be a drastic loss of position for Conteh but he is strong enough to counteract the effect of his way to a fight with Foster, who now does not appear to be so invulnerable.

In the middleweight division we find the leading echelon behind champion Carlos Monzon unchanged.

The leaders are Rodrigo Valdez, conqueror of Bennie Briscoe, Tony Mundine, Tony Licata and Bennie himself.

In the No. 7 spot we find Kevin Finnegan, of Britain with Oscar Alvarado behind him.

The welter ratings present an interesting entry, in the No. 5 spot. He is Eddie Perkins, a who may be one of the oldest rated fighters in the entire list.

In the lightweight class DeJesus's No. 2 spot behind Ken Buchanan has gone to Ray Lampkin.

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
ARNOLD TAYLOR, South Africa
1–**RAFAEL HERRERA,** Mexico
2–**JOHNNY CLARK,** England
3–**BENICO SOSA,** Argentina
4–**JOSE CASAS,** Argentina
5–**ROMERO ANAYA,** Mexico
6–**RODOLFO MARTINEZ,** Mexico
7–**FRANCISCO VILLEGAS,** Puerto Rico
8–**DAVID VASQUEZ,** New York, N.Y.
9–**BENNY RODRIGUEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
10–**JOSE LUIS SOTO,** Mexico

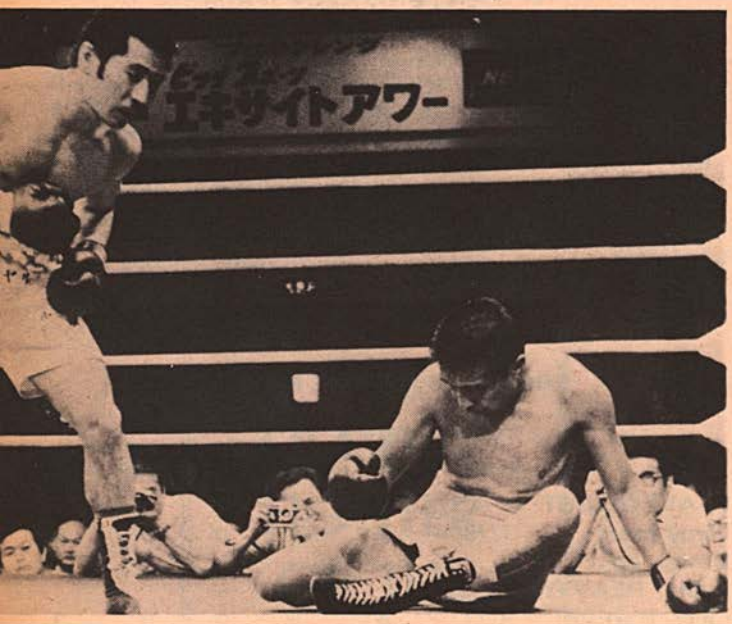
FLYWEIGHTS
(not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
TITLE VACANT
1–**BETULIO GONZALEZ,** Venezuela
2–**MIGUEL CANTO,** Mexico
3–**CHARTCHAI CHIONOI,** Thailand
4–**FRITZ CHERVET,** Switzerland
5–**ERBITO SALVARRIA,** Philippines
6–**FERNAND CABANELA,** Philippines
7–**VINCENTE POOL,** Mexico
8–**BIG JIM WEST,** Australia
9–**HENRY NISSEN,** Australia
10–**ALBERTO DAVILA,** Los Angeles, Calif.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

Name	Pro Debut	Total Bouts	Won	Lost	Draws	KO's
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Leroy Jones Denver, Colo.	7/73	6	6	0	0	5
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Chuck Warfield Chicago, Ill.	8/73	4	4	0	0	3
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Nelson LaSalle Puerto Rico	1/73	12	12	0	0	6
WELTERWEIGHT						
Keith Averett Toledo, Ohio	7/73	11	8	1	2	4
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Rudy Hernandez San Diego, Calif.	2/74	5	5	0	0	2
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Emiliano Villa Colombia	1/73	11	10	1	0	5
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Shoji Oguma Japan	10/73	21	20	1	0	10
FLYWEIGHT						
Eadolfo Rodriguez	12/73	10	10	0	0	6

RING CAMERA CLICKS

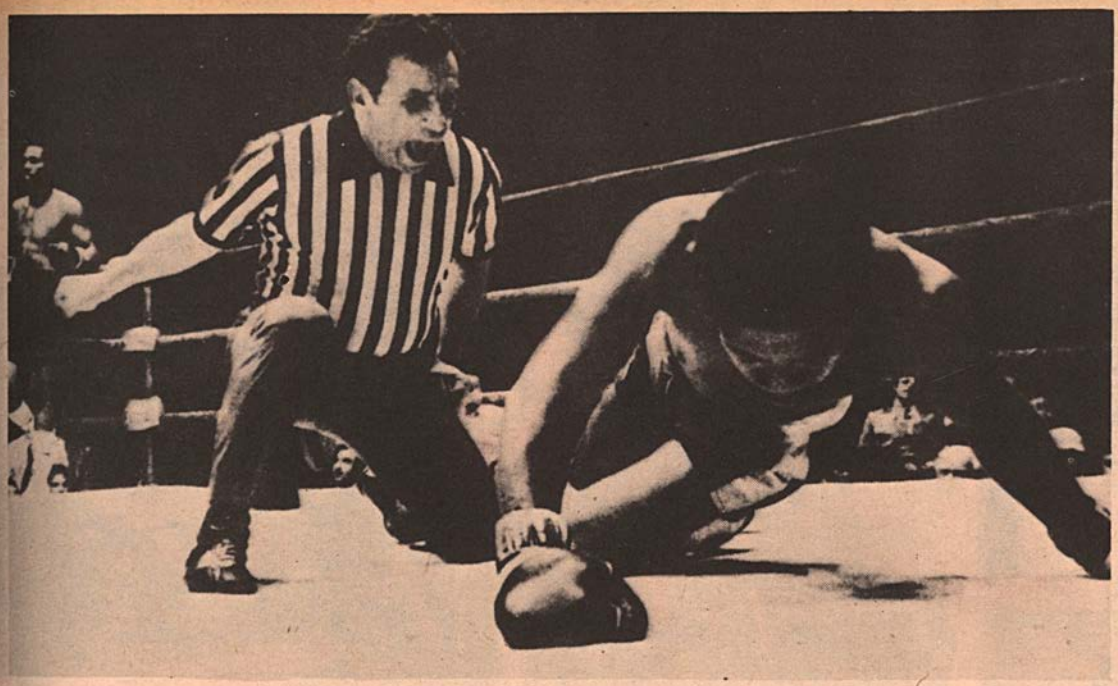
Abe Hochheiser, a Ring correspondent (second from right), made a presentation of comic boxing statues to Mike Mazurki (right) and business partner Jerry Meeker in Los Angeles recently. Mazurki, a longtime movie actor and former pro wrestler, and Meeker, are the owners of Mazurki's Baron's Castle Restaurant in L.A. Hochheiser made the presentation on behalf of the Golden State Veteran Boxers Assn. and the Cauliflower Alley Club. From left are Frankie Garcia, Noble (Kid) Chissell, Sid Marks and TV star Al Lewis.



Former bantamweight contender Joe Medel of Mexico is floored by Kazuo (Royal) Kobayashi in the sixth round of their contest in Tokyo. The 38-year-old Medel suffered a TKO loss because of a severe cut over his left eye and announced his retirement after the bout.

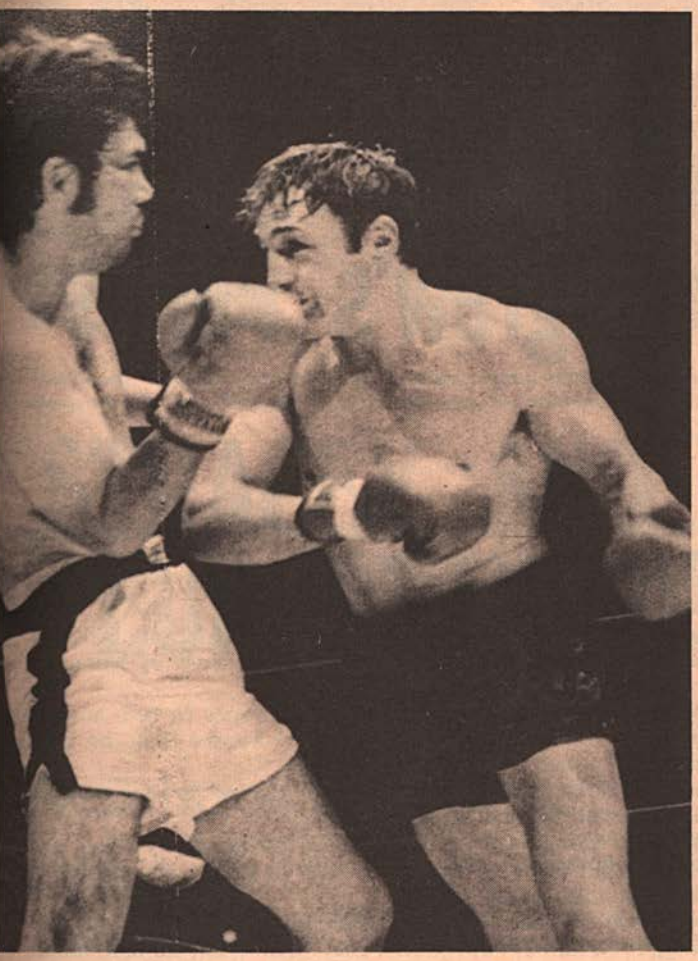
Enjoying a tete-a-tete are (from left) Ronnie (Burns) Bouse, a referee and Ring correspondent from New Jersey, Phil Brooks, a vocalist and recording artist, and Abe J. Greene, New Jersey Boxing Commissioner. The photo was taken at Embassy Hall, North Bergen, N. J.

Venezuela's Betulio Gonzalez lands a straight left to the chin of Japan's Shoji Oguma during their contest at the Koriyama gym in Fukushima, Japan. Gonzalez won a 10-round decision.



Richie Kates seems rather disinterested as the referee counts out Jimmy Dupree in the first round of their recent bout in Philadelphia.

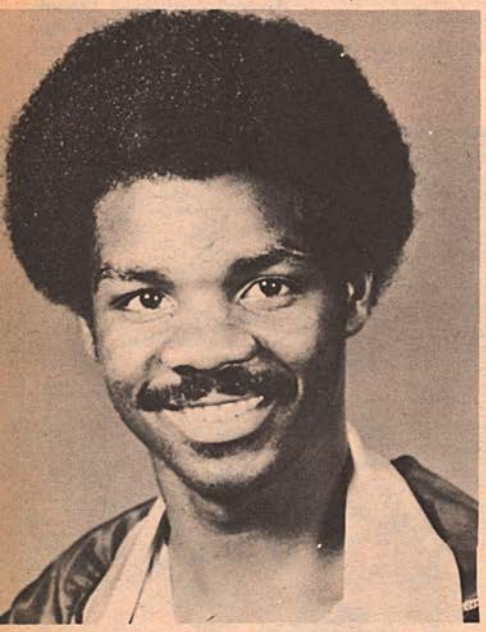
Japan's Koichi Wajima has his face contorted by a tremendous right thrown by Oscar (Shotgun) Alvarado in the 13th round of their junior middleweight title bout in Tokyo. Alvarado stopped Wajima in the 15th to win the crown.



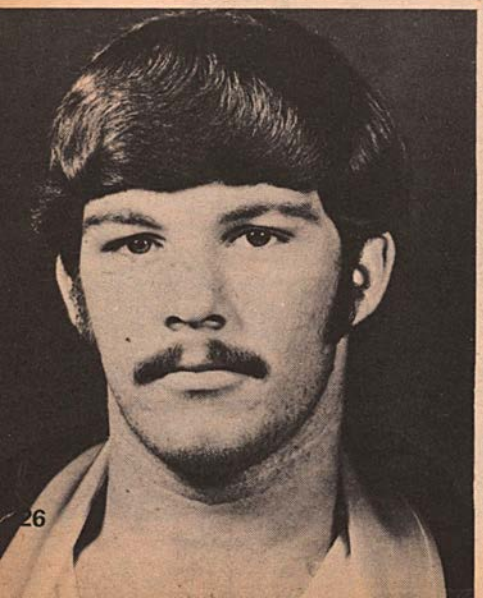
Mexico's Manuel Fierro (left) evades Charkey Ramon's looping right during their middleweight bout at Brisbane. The Australian knocked out Fierro in the seventh round.

BRUCE THOMPSON
(left)

COACH DICK PETTIGREW



MIKE JOHNSON



Trio Of Lefty Navy Stars Are Pettigrew's Pupils

By JACK LEVINSON

NORFOLK, Va. – Here's a freak situation in Navy boxing. Dick Pettigrew, coach of the USN, stationed at the N.A.S. in Norfolk, has under his care Mike Johnson, 119, from Columbus, Ohio, Bruce Thompson, 132, from Muncie, Indiana, and Russell (Rusty) Fickling, 165, from Charleston, S.C.

All three are southpaws. All three are 19 years old. All three are All-Navy champions. All three are All-Service champions. All three show sense by learning a trade.

Johnson is learning to be a dental technician. Thompson hopes to be a hospital corpsman. Fickling intends to be a machinest. This writer knows that the three champions are going to give the "punch for pay" class a try.

Knowing that if professional boxing turns out to be not as glorious as they thought, they can turn to their trade for their livelihood.

Pettigrew, their coach, is also thinking of the future. Dick is a 1st class yeoman, and has but one year to become eligible for retirement. In the meantime, he is going to keep his eyes open for some good prospects.

Pettigrew's record reads: eight times All-Navy champion, 1960 thru 1968, two times All-Service champion, 1962 and 1966, C.I.S.M. champion 1966, C.I.S.M. runner up, 1962.

RUSTY FICKLING

Jean-Claude Bouttier (left) attempts to cover up but Kevin Finnegan connects with a left to the stomach during their European middleweight title engagement in Paris. Finnegan took the title via a 15-round decision.

STRACEY AND FINNEGAN MAKE EUROPEAN FISTIC HEADLINES

By J. A. TREE

PARIS, France – European boxing has erupted of a sudden with big fights of international consequence.

In Paris, John H. Stracey, of Britain, beat Roger Menetrey in eight rounds for the European welter championship. It was a TKO.

On the same card, Kevin Finnegan, another Britisher, outpointed Frenchman Jean-Claude Bouttier over 15 rounds to capture the European middleweight crown.

Stracey easily beat Menetrey. The champion was never decked but, in frame eight, German referee Rudolf Drust, saw fit to call a halt.

Menetrey, bleeding from his nose, took a left to the body, followed by a right to the head, forcing him to the ropes. Stracey then landed with a couple of uppercuts and a left to the body.

The end was in sight but the referee allowed Stracey to throw another three blows to the body and a couple of rights to the head before he took the Frenchman out of the fight.

Neither Menetrey nor his supporters questioned the third man's decision. Menetrey was out for a quick win in the opening rounds, chasing Stracey who is a noted slow starter.

The Briton surprised most by countering with good punches. The Frenchman knew he could not compete with the Briton's boxing capability and his only chance of winning was to land a kayo blow.

Menetrey was often wide open to a left jab and Stracey took full advantage, it landing frequently. He never let the

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PUNCH LINES

WHY GO TO THE CONGO?

BOXING in this country is getting daffier by the week. It used to be that we had a more or less sane, if sometimes puzzling condition. But when an American heavyweight champion of the world and an American challenger havt to go to the Congo country in Africa to fight 15 rounds or less it appears it shapes up crazy.

The whole proposition in Zaire is incomprehensible from the Congo to the ten million dollars that fighters are supposed to be getting.

The Ring indicates that we now have a world champion who cannot fight in the United States because of court orders.

If Sadler sold hunks of his fighter and got paid for those hunks, why not pay those buyers off and clear the decks?

The tax situation in London is not so bad that Foreman and Ali had to dodge the British capital. Could be that the fighters will run into Caracas-plus down in Zaire.

Charles J. Cornwall
Tucson, Ariz.

HIS 50 YEARS RING REVIEW

I am 70 years of age and 1974 marks my fiftieth anniversary as a fight goer. My uncle took me to the Tunney-Burke scrap in New Orleans, which, if I am not mistaken, Gene won in 15 rounds on points. My uncle predicted that Tunney never would amount to much. Poor Fred!

In any event, I have seen about three big fights a year on the average and have formed some opinions on heavyweight boxing.

The heavyweights of today hit harder than those of years ago. But they do not match the former champions in boxing skill.

The present crop is reviving body punching—in fighting.

The big purses offered to heavyweight champions, notably the five million dollar guarantees to Foreman and Muhammad, are bad for the game. Seriously bad. Bad for the fighters as well as for boxing. If we do need a Federal boxing boss in Washington it is to stop the bad money from infiltrating.

Clay Tirville
La Jolla, Calif.

FIGHTS HAVE ALMOST NO ADVERTISING

With a murderous "sport" like auto racing in the field, a New York paper has the effrontery to run a big yarn asking if boxing is legalized murder.

Compare the number of deaths in auto racing with the number of casualties in boxing and where does that newspaper come off? In the backhouse.

There is a very important factor in the question.

There are no ads offering boxers for sale. There are millions of dollars in the ads offering cars for sale.

That paper lost me as a reader. I am forced to accept a lesser newspaper but I will get over it.

Jacob Rosenstein
East Orange, N.J.

HE HAS A COMPLAINT

The Ring Magazine is kept alive by its readers. Consequently, the Ring offers only a limited forum for its readers to express their opinions. Obviously it (The Ring) feels that its staff are the only knowledgeable boxing people, and the letters that appear in "Punch Lines" are only token rebuttals.

I recommend that The Ring wake up so that it can help keep boxing alive. A much broader scope of letters, that goes beyond all existing forums would prove beyond all doubt that The Ring respects the opinions of its readers more than anyone. In this way, opinions such as mine and differing ones will be made public.

Thomas B. Pellis
Wayne, N.J.

JEFFRIES THE BEST?

I have been waiting for The Ring to pick its No. 1 heavyweight of all time. I understand that the selection of Jack Johnson by Nat Fleischer, as listed in the Ring Record Book, was his personal opinion and did not represent the pick of the Ring.

It may very well be that Johnson was the greatest. I never saw him fight. How many of us around today did see him?

I never saw Jeffries, either. But he seems to be the top man. Of late there has been a wave of sentiment in favor of Marciano. He was skilled and a banger. I saw him and maybe he was the best. However, Jersey Joe had him on points when Rocky landed the Big One. Was it Joe Louis? Could be.

I believe that Muhammad Ali was good in his prime but could not hit well enough to be among the Top Ten.

In my opinion Sullivan was over-rated. Corbett could box but not hit, Fitz was too light, the Hart-Root-Burns business was a colossal joke.

Was it Dempsey? Could be. Let The Ring decide.

Arthur Medellin
Boston, Mass.

EARLY INTEREST IN ZAIRE

I am in the travel agency business. Within three months after the big fight in Zaire was announced, I had 100 customers lined up for the trip. It will cost them more than $2,000 each. It is the most remarkable situation of its kind in my experience of 30 years in the agency business. Strange thing is, those people do not have the faintest idea of where Zaire is. If a visitor stays in Zaire, the government will expect him to spend 90 dollars a day there.

Name Withheld
New York, N.Y.

CONCERNING THE PATRIOT

Muhammad Ali is an interesting character and he used to be a great fighter. He has lost a lot of his skill.

There are other fine fighters and they should get their chances.

The Ring Magazine uses too many pictures of Ali. We all know what he looks like. What does Valdez look like? What does Cervantes look like?

Let us have some fighters other than Ali get their play. The "Patriot" has had his day. I believe he has collected more than his due.

Jacob Davis
Providence, R.I.

BENNIE GETS INTO TROUBLE

Bennie Briscoe is a great fighter. Bennie Briscoe is NOT a great fighter. He does not have the faculty of being able to finish a job he is doing very beautifully.

Valdez is not the banger Bennie is. But with Briscoe in command the South American put a right and a left together and Briscoe was headed back for Philadelphia, a beaten man who faces the necessity of starting a comeback.

As a medic, I have my ideas on the subject of Briscoe. He gives indications of being a bit older than the 32 he says he is.

How much older I cannot surmise.

I cannot see Valdez, despite his left hook, taking the title from Monzon, whom I have seen against Bouttier. Valdez will not make it even if he gets the chance,

Frank G. J. Farmer
Philadelphia, Pa.

UNITED STATES RING RATINGS

HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Muhammad Ali, Cherry Hill, N.J.
1–Joe Frazier, Philadelphia, Pa.
2–Ken Norton, San Diego, Calif.
3–Ron Lyle, Denver, Colo.
4–Jerry Quarry, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Chuck Wepner, Bayonne, N.J.
6–Larry Middleton, Baltimore, Md.
7–Henry Clark, San Francisco, Calif.
8–Earnie Shavers, Warren, Ohio
9–Duane Bobick, Minneapolis, Minn.
10–Jimmy Young, Philadelphia, Pa.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
*Len Hutchins, Detroit, Mich.
1–Richie Kates, Philadelphia, Pa.
2–Alvaro Lopez, Stockton, Calif.
3–Jesse Burnett, San Diego, Calif.
4–Mike Quarry, Los Angeles, Calif.
5–Vinnie Curto, Miami, Fla.
6–Angel Oquendo, Puerto Rico
7–Eddie Jones, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–James Scott, Newark, N.J.
9–Bobby Cassidy, Brentwood, N.Y.
10–Ray Elson, New York, N.Y.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
*Tony Licata, New Orleans, La.
1–Bennie Briscoe, Philadelphia, Pa.
2–Emile Griffith, New York, N.Y.
3–Oscar Alvarado, Uvalde, Texas
4–George Cooper, Oakland, Calif.
5–Vito Antuofermo, Brooklyn, N.Y.
6–Willie Monroe, Philadelphia, Pa.
7–Rudy Robles, Los Angeles, Calif.
8–Eddie Gregory, New York, N.Y.
9–Mike Baker, Spartanburg, S.C.
10–Leo Saenz, Baltimore, Md.

WELTERWEIGHTS
*Hedgemon Lewis, Detroit, Mich.
1–Angel Espada, Puerto Rico
2–Eddie Perkins, Chicago, Ill.
3–Billy Lloyd, Philadelphia, Pa.
4–Johnny Gant, Washington, D.C.
5–Cuby "Top Cat" Jackson, Detroit, Mich.
6–Ray Seales, Seattle, Wash.
7–Alvin Anderson, Baltimore, Md.
8–Sandy Torres, Puerto Rico
9–Billy Backus, Syracuse, N.Y.
10–Pete Ranzany, San Francisco, Calif.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS
*Hector Matta, Puerto Rico
1–Esteban DeJesus, Puerto Rico
2–Miguel Barreto, Puerto Rico
3–Tony Petronelli, Taunton, Mass.
4–Victor Ortiz, Puerto Rico
5–Monroe Brooks, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Norman Goins, Indianapolis, Ind.
7–Johnny Copeland, Springfield, Mo.
8–Doc McClendon, Paterson, N.J.
9–Dale Hernandez, Omaha, Nebr.
10–Al Scooter Meza, Kennwick, Wash.

LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Ray Lampkin, Portland, Ore.
1–Angel Mayoral, Las Vegas, Nev.
2–Jimmy Heair, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–Ray Lunny III, San Francisco, Calif.
4–Edwin Viruet, New York, N.Y.
5–Miguel Mayon, San Diego, Calif.
6–Brooks Byrd, Clovis, N.M.
7–Mike Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
8–Jose Peterson, Puerto Rico
9–Tim Blue Walker, Washington, D.C.
10–Laudial Negron, Puerto Rico

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS
*Tyrone Everett, Philadelphia, Pa.
1–Alfredo Escalera, Puerto Rico
2–Sammy Goss, Trenton, N.J.
3–Jose Fernandez, New York, N.Y.
4–Walter Seeley, Sayville, N.Y.
5–Hector Diaz, New York, N.Y.
6–Dom Monaco, Brooklyn, N.Y.
7–Samuel Serrano, Puerto Rico
8–Hector Pena, Dallas, Texas
9–Frankie Otero, Miami, Fla.
10–Hector McBride, Tampa, Fla.

FEATHERWEIGHTS
*Bobby Chacon, Los Angeles, Calif.
1–Danny Lopez, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Lorenzo Trujillo, Houston, Texas
3–Ronnie McGarvey, Baltimore, Md.
4–Santos Luis Rivera, Puerto Rico
5–Carlos Perez, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Ernesto Vann, Albuquerque, N.M.
7–Ray Hall, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
8–Luis Davila, Puerto Rico
9–Norman Parra, San Diego, Calif.
10–Gustavo Briceno, Puerto Rico

BANTAMWEIGHTS
*Francisco Villegas, Puerto Rico
1–David Vasquez, New York, N.Y.
2–Benny Rodriguez, Los Angeles, Calif.
3–James Martinez, Dallas, Texas
4–Earl Large, Phoenix, Ariz.
5–Frank Duarte, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Andres Hernandez, Puerto Rico
7–Joe Guevara, Sacramento, Calif.
8–Tony Rocha, San Antonio, Texas
9–Eddie Logan, Los Angeles, Calif
10–John Watson, Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS
*Tony Moreno, San Antonio, Texas
1–Alberto Davila, Los Angeles, Calif.
2–Bobby Holderfield, Little Rock, Ark.
3–Raul Rosete, Los Angeles, Calif.
4–Willje Jansen, Las Vegas, Nev.
5–Alfonso Gonzalez, Los Angeles, Calif.
6–Salvatore Vasquez, Los Angeles, Calif.
7–Diego Martinez, Los Angeles, Calif.
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Q & A QUESTIONS ANSWERS

Q. Boxing history indicates that Joe Gans threw his Chicago meeting with Terry McGovern in two rounds. My grandfather, who is a McGovern nut, says that if he had the money he would sue any publication which carried the allegation that Gans threw the fight. I cannot imagine a boxer of Gans' class being stopped by McGovern or anybody else in something like five minutes. What is The Ring's impression?

Mert Daley
Brooklyn, N.Y.

A. The Ring staff saw movies of the two rounds and they gave off a bad odor. Chicago fight fans stopped going to fights after that one. The general belief among experts is that is was a shady affair if not an outright fake. Why did these fighters have to fake it? A betting coup, no doubt.

Q. Did Gus Lesnevich ever hold the official light heavy title? If he did, from whom did he win it, to whom did he lose it? When did Gus die?

Terence Farley
Paterson, N.J.

A. Gus Lesnevich was the light heavyweight titleholder from May, 1941, He won the crown from Anton Christofodiros and lost the title to Freddie Mills in July, 1948. Lesnevich died in February, 1964.

Q. Who was Jack Dempsey's first New York opponent?

Xavier Glendon
Providence, R.I.

A. He was Andre Anderson. Fight went ten rounds.

Q. Is the flyweight title recognized as one of the official championships? What is the weight limit of the class?

Alvin G. Wunderlicht
San Francisco, Calif.

A. The flyweight class by all means is one of the recognized divisions. The class was first recognized in 1910. The first champion was Jimmy Wilde, one of England's greatest boxers. The weight limit is 112 pounds.

Q. Did Cuba ever have a fighter called Kid Tunero. Did he fight anybody of note?

Moke Guttierez
Tampa, Fla.

A. Kid Tunero was a top class light heavyweight. He lives in Spain. The Ring plans to run a story on him.

Q. I do not understand the Marcel situation in Panama. He keeps saying that he has retired, Panama keeps saying that he has not retired and The Ring keeps rating him. What is the truth? I believe that he is a fine fighter. I saw him fight in Panama and it would be a loss to boxing if he retired.

Solomon Esquevel
Bogota, Colombia

A. Marcel has retired and The Ring is not rating him thenceforth.

Q. Has Chu Chu Malave retired from the ring? He hasn't fought since his KO by Buchanan.

Dave Senegal
Lodi, N.Y.

A. Malave has not announced his retirement.

Q. I understand that Jack Johnson won the heavyweight championship from Tommy Burns. Why, then, did Johnson have to fight Jim Jeffries to make the title official?

Harrison Gibney
Chapel, Hill, N.C.

A. Johnson became the recognized heavyweight champion when he knocked out Burns, who had knocked out Hart, who had knocked out Jack Root. Johnson did not have to fight Jeffries to make his title official. The Jeffries who fought Johnson was a shell. There was a chance to make money and Jeff grabbed it.

INSIDE THE ROPES *with* *Ruby Goldstein*

MY wife and I recently took a short vacation in Miami Beach, Fla., which turned out to be a truly memorable time for us.

The nostalgia flowed like wine, so to speak. The memories brought to mind and the pleasures of seeing old friends made it a truly wonderful stay.

On our second evening in Miami Beach, I attended the monthly meeting of Veterans Boxers Ring No. 31. I really felt at home there. Many former top boxers, managers, trainers, referees, promoters and associate members were on hand. A goodly portion hailed from the Brownsville section of Brooklyn and my own backyard, the Lower East Side of New York. If I tried to list all the people I knew there, it is a cinch I would omit a couple.

There is a possibility we may settle down there one day and I would not like to get off on the wrong foot. Moving to Florida nowadays seems to be a way of life. Condominium is perhaps the most widely-used word.

It was nice to run into Moe Fleischer, who has spend over half a century in boxing in a number of capacities such as trainer, manager, matchmaker and advisor to managers. Presently he is Chris Dundee's right hand man.

At Moe's suggestion I attended the boxing show at the Miami Beach Auditorium and felt highly honored when I was given a most flattering introduction from the ring. It was a great feeling when many old friends came over to greet me. Some of them were people I hadn't seen in over 50 years. Among them were many former schoolmates.

On the following morning, I visited Chris Dundee at his office and thanked him for the fine treatment that was accorded me. Chris is a very successful promoter. He has been promoting on Miami Beach for more than 20 years and estimates he has staged over 650 shows. Fifty of these shows were televised.

I first met Chris in the 1930s when he came from Philadelphia to New York as a boxing manager. He at once impressed me as someone who really knew his way around. He was considered to be very shrewd, reminding me of Leo P. Flynn, who was the manager of more than 200 fighters, but not all at the same time, of course. He had main event fighters plying their trade in different cities each night of the week.

CHRIS DUNDEE

He also had time to act as matchmaker at the original Madison Square Garden.

Chris Dundee was sort of a pocket edition of Flynn. He once had four main event fighters performing in four different cities in one evening. Chris has promoted several championship bouts. The first Liston-Clay bout was his baby. He managed several champions and has acted as advisor to managers of many boxers.

Chris laughs when he speaks of the time he was a referee in the Clay-Marciano computer fight broadcast a few years back. He also pinch hit for the energetic and talented Sam Taub in broadcasting one of the Ezzard Charles-Joey Maxim fights.

Sharing Chris' office is his younger brother Angelo, who has established a reputation as one of the greatest of boxing tutors and trainers. Angleo also has managed champions and advised managers of champions. For a while he piloted Muhammad Ali prior to

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FRAZIER OF YORE GIVES QUARRY MERCILESS BEATING IN FIVE-ROUND CARNAGE

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What happened to the pre-fight game plan? There was no "new" Quarry and, in the heat of the battle, he forgot any attempt at boxing that had been drilled into him in training.

The first round was his best as he moved well, sticking and staying away from Frazier. He attempted to use the middle of the ring while Frazier from the opening bell as he did throughout the entire fight moved ever forward, stalking his man, aiming for the ropes and corners to pin his opponent down.

Although Jerry managed to stay out of trouble in that first session, it was evident that Frazier had the big punch on this particular night and that Quarry lacked the power to hold off the ever-charging and fist-falling former champ.

Both men used combinations in that first round, Quarry stopping, using his left and, in the opening seconds, landing a good left and right combination to Frazier's head. Frazier, on the other hand, came shuffling forward keeping the round fairly even with his ever probing lefts and rights.

Just before the bell, Frazier won the round when he staggered Quarry in his own corner with a left hook that looked like the Frazier of his peak. He tossed another left as the bell rang and both men seemed oblivious to the sound until the referee motioned them to their respective corners.

From then on it was all downhill for Quarry. In the second, third, fourth and fifth heats, Frazier charged after Quarry like a Bull in a china shop. He had no fear of the lefts that Quarry flicked. Joe came right on smashing. Quarry stopped back-pedalling and as, early as the second round, began to stand toe to toe with Frazier. It was obvious to all at ringside that he was taking a first class shellacking.

In the first round and several others, both Frazier and Quarry hit low but it went unnoticed. In the first Frazier turned away from Quarry after such an incident.

In the second round, a left hook opened a cut over Quarry's right eye. In the third, Quarry's other eye seemed cut under the optic but further observation showed that the blood had dripped from above the left eye and he now had both eyes in bad condition.

As the fight progressed Quarry would back away, stand and fight, with both men throwing much of their leather to each other's heads. The longer the fight went on the less power Quarry had and the more fearsome Frazier became. It was a carnage by the fourth round. Quarry now had a nose that was seeping blood and his mouth was cut.

Just before the bell at the end of the fourth, Frazier landed a powerful, devastating left hook to the left side of Quarry's body and Jerry sank to the canvas in his own corner. He took a four count before his handlers had him up and seated. The bout could have been halted at this point to everyone's satisfaction.

At the bell for round five, Quarry moved slowly out of his corner while Frazier came forward to continue the barrage of left hands to the head, a left and right to the body, another left hook by Frazier. Quarry attempted to fight back but his blows were almost pushes as if to ask his tormentor to stay away.

Suddenly, Quarry was asking Louis to halt the bout with his eyes and hands, and Frazier was vocally doing the same to save Quarry from further damage.

About 20 seconds later, the bout came to its ending and one of the better heavyweight fights was concluded. The scheduled 12-rounder would be placed into The Ring Record Book for posterity.

In the dressing room and in the interview area after the fight, Quarry's wife, Arwanda, cried over the damage inflicted on her husband. "Jerry just didn't have it tonight," she said, "He looked good in the first round and then didn't seem to have anything."

Did Mrs. Quarry think that Quarry should quit?

"He's been around a really long, long time and maybe he should leave now," she said.

Quarry, when asked the same question, replied, "I'll have to talk it over with my wife and family. I tried so damn hard but it just wasn't there." He continued, "I had such big dreams of winning the title and in my recent fights I thought I was getting there . . . now I don't know!"

Jerry, unfortunately has always been plagued by the same problem—winning the small ones and losing the fights labeled the big ones.

Quarry did rake in $225,000 or 22½% of all the income for his beating while Frazier took home $400,000 as a guarantee or 40% of all the income.

Bob Arum of Top Rank's top brass, who ran the closed theatre operation on both fights, allowed as how the 185 theatres and area outlets in Canada and the U.S. makes this fourth in the money game of closed televised fights. This bout was beaten in video "take" only by the first Quarry-Ali meeting, and the two Frazier-Ali fights.

THE NIGHT THEY LOST THEIR COOL AT THE WALDORF

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While Foreman didn't say anything, Ali screamed at the top of his lungs, "I'm gonna beat your Christian (ANATOMY DELETED), you white flag-waving (EXPLETIVE DELETED)!" as unbelieving guests watched in stunned amazement.

The Ring's Dan Daniel, who had been seated next to Foreman, attempted to leave the dais platform in order to get out of the line of fire but was knocked off the stage into the curtain. Luckily, he was only slightly hurt. With Clay tossing glasses around, it's a miracle no one was seriously injured. Joe Frazier, who also was seated on the dais, attempted to calm Cassius, but when Joe saw that Ali was completely out of hand, he quickly exited with Foreman.

Ali was finally escorted from the Starlight Roof and hustled down an elevator to the lobby, where he continued his tirade, yelling, "Where's that nigger's hotel? Where's Foreman staying?" intermittently signing autographs for unknowing Waldorf guests.

As Floyd Patterson said, "It started out as fun, but it got out of hand. You don't throw glasses when you are kidding. Somebody could have gotten seriously hurt."

Meanwhile, back at the dinner, Foreman, as previously mentioned, received the Fighter of the Year Award; Barney Nagler of The Daily Racing Form was given the James J. Walker Award for "Long and Meritorious Service" to boxing; Dave Anderson, sports columnist of The New York Times, received the Nat Fleischer Award for "Excellence in Boxing Journalism." That presentation was made by Dan Daniel, who made his usual snappy and witty talk. Gil Clancy received the "Manager-Trainer of the Year" Award.

Other awards were presented to Jack Dempsey, James A. Farley Sr., and Lud Shahbazian for a "Lifetime of Love to Boxing;" John Long of Teamsters International Local 804 for "Service to the Youth of America;" and to Bob Goodman and Tom Kenville for "Dedication to the Boxing Writers Beyond the Line of Duty."

Those introduced from the dais were: Sam Taub, Nat Loubet, Emile Griffith, Don Dunphy, John Daly, Hank Schwartz, Don King, Jersey Joe Walcott, Boxing Writers Association prexy Bill Gallo, Eddie Dooley, Marvin Kohn, Bob Arum, Mike Malitz, Harry Markson, Teddy Brenner, Toots Shor and Murray Goodman.

The audience, each of whom paid $35 to attend, certainly ended up getting their money's worth. The people in Zaire are going to pay $150 each to watch 'em. But as somebody said to Jersey Joe Walcott, now a sheriff in Camden, N.J., in an elevator on the way down, "Joe, you should have made an arrest and carted 'em off to jail."

UP AND DOWN

Old Broadway

By SAM TAUB

BIG doings are planned for the 30th of the month. . .The occasion – the 60th anniversary of the always to be remembered Joe Louis, whose natal day is May 13. . . .The affair will take place at the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles, Calif. According to the format efforts are being made to have as many of the fighters who faced the famed Bomber, as well as other prominent fighters, present for the gala night.

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Late in reporting but the 20th anniversary dinner-dance of Ring 14, Veteran Boxers Association of Hudson County, N.J. of which Charlie Spina is the president, was a knockout . . . It was held in the Skyline Cabana Club, in Jersey City, and lasted well into the early hours of the morning . . . M.C'd. by Sports Editor Lud, who has hung up a record 52 years with the Hudson Disptach.

Honorees were famous Dr. Russell Dorn, of Jersey City, Duke Stefano, assistant matchmaker for Madison Square Garden boxing. Ray Monagas, Bill Stanton, Ted Esposito and Yours Truly . . . Also, Rose Lewis, secretary to Boxing Commissioner Ed Dooley in New York . . . and her husband, Harry.

Many famous ring personalities were present and had a rare evening. Among them Jimmy O'Connor and his wife Cooky, Tommy Kenville and his wife, Judge Emil Calcagni, who was a big leaguer in his day, founder Stanley Poreda, who compiled a nifty record among the heavyweights, Sammy Venti, who graced the dias, and his brother Paul, who did a swell job with the committee in charge of operations, Adrian Bailey, whose Hall of Fame dinner is scheduled for Sept. 22 at Diamond Jim Brady's in Matawan, N.J., Gilbert Spillert, of Tuf-Wear.

Ran into Johnny Saxton, former world welterweight champion, who was born at 478 Greene Avenue, in Brooklyn . . . He was crowned Golden Gloves welter king the same night that Coley Wallace captured the heavyweight honors in the 49th St. Garden . . . Saxton, who is 43, won the welter crown in 1954 from Kid Gavilan, lost the title to Paddy DeMarco and then regained the championship from Carmen Basilio, the onion man, then losing his title for the second time in a return with the Syracuse man.

(Bottom) Jack O'Brian, popular WOR radio and newspaper columnist, our own Sam Taub and Leo Kraus, B'nai B'rith ex-recording secretary. . .(Upper) Dr. Alexander Schiff, former Boxing Commission physician, and Judge M. Michael Potoker.

(Photo by Morty Epstein.)

Saxton, who has a 12-year-old son, Johnny, Jr., whose mother was the late Mary Rowe, had several managers, including Pop Miller and Blinky Palermo. Is now working with children from the Bethel Baptist Church, whose Pastor is J. W. Hall. The ex-champ is also training fighters at his gymnasium at 3rd Ave. & Bergen St., in Brooklyn ,. . Saxton, who has taken on weight since quitting the ring, looks great.

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Aldo Spoldi, the Italian lightweight, who is now living in Milan, visited New York a short while back with a group of 300 tourists . . . Spoldi, who was managed by Charley Johnston, if our memory serves us right, was a fine competitor and managed to go the route with Henry Armstrong when Hammering Hank was busy kayoing all his opponents.

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That was quite a tribute to the late Max Kase, sports editor and founder of B'nai B'rith Sports lodge #1840 at a memorial get together at the Roosevelt Hotel. On the dais were his former newspaper cronies, Jack O'Brian, now famous radio commentator on WOR and columnist for the L.I. Press, Bob Considine, a standout in journalism and on the tube, Mike Lee, sports editor of the Long Island Press, Irving Rudd, now with OTB and formerly with Ring and the two Tommy Holmes, of newspaper writing and baseball playing fame. They changed the name to Max Kase Sports Lodge . . . Haskell Cohen and Marty Cohen were the M.C.'s . . . Max's wife, Kady, and members of her family were present as well as Judge M. Michael Potoker, newly-appointed Judge of the Court of Claims, Nat Holman, Mr. Basketball himself, Lillian Jenkins and her husband, Freddie Podesta, formerly with Madison Square Garden. . .Bert Makaji, sports editor of the Tribune Herald in Hilo, Hawaii, sent flowers flown in specially from Hawaii for the women present.

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Ran into a long time boxing pal at Jack Singer's Flame Steak restaurant on West 42nd St . . . Many fans will remember Jackie Levine, now 55, who was born in the Williamsburg sector of Brooklyn . . . He had a record of 35 fights as a flyweight and lost only one . . . As a pro featherweight, he engaged in ten fights, won them all, then quit the game . . .

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FOREMAN-ALI PROMOTERS PREDICT RECORD VIEWING OF CLOSED CIRCUIT TV

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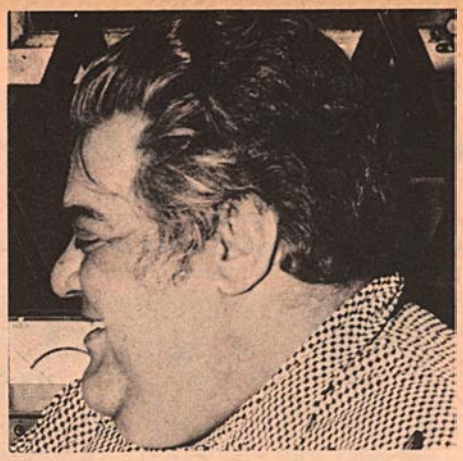
fighters and the television cameras."

The production in Jamaica was one of the best from a closed circuit standpoint. "The trick to getting a good TV picture when the conditions are not the best is in the lighting," Schwartz said.

"In Jamaica, we used a blue canvas to raise the contrast level and positioned the lights so the two fighters would stand out."

Aside from the technical production, Video has also been retained by the promoters, Risnelia Investments, a Swiss firm, Hemdale Leisure Corporation, Inc., of London and Telemedia de Panama, to do worldwide satellite distribution and, in association with Hemdale, the worldwide ancillary distribution.

"Video Techniques, in association with Hemdale Leisure Corporation," explained Burnstein,"are the ones who distribute the fight through local promoters. We provide a comprehensive service to the local promoter. This includes delivering the television signal to the location, providing the projectors and operators and, of course, collecting the box office receipts for the rights' owner after the event is over."



BARRY BURNSTEIN

"We expect this fight to surpass the first Ali-Frazier fight," Burnstein added, "with two and three-quarter million people viewing the bout via closed circuit in the U.S. and Canada. The fight will be shown in more than 100 countries, bringing the audience potential to one billion viewers."

"When we began telling people the fight was to be held in Zaire," said Schwartz, "it was a common opinion that it would be technically impossible but that's where Video's experience in Jamaica and Caracas gave us the advantage.

"We had fewer facilities in Jamaica than exist in Zaire. There's a modern satellite ground station 25 miles outside of Kinshasa which will transmit the television signal to the U.S. via the Atlantic Bird."

The mechanics of doing a fight, or any event from outside the U.S., are easily explained. The picture is picked up via the cameras at ringside and brought into a modern air conditioned studio, specially assembled at the stadium, and sent to the ground station for transmission to the satellite. Travelling at the speed of light, the signal is relayed to the U.S. ground station for distribution to the closed circuit locations around the country.

The same procedure, using other satellites, is employed for the rest of the world.

For Video, the Foreman-Ali fight is the culmination of hundreds of hours of work by Schwartz, Burnstein and the newest addition to the firm, Don King, named vice president. King secured the signatures of both Foreman and Ali on the multi-million dollar contracts.

To fight fans, King is better known as the manager of Earnie Shavers and Jeff Merritt, but King has opened the way for Video Techniques to hold the biggest event in boxing history.

Aside from boxing, Video has also brought soccer from Italy to the U.S. and many other sporting events live via satellite. It has also produced many industrial shows which are also carried on closed circuit television.

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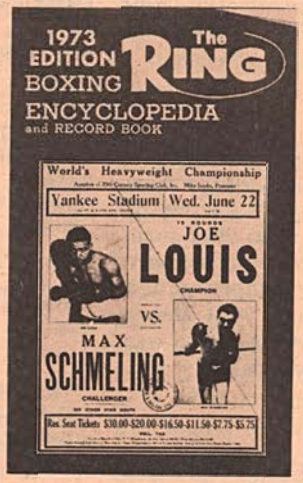

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OLD BROADWAY

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That was back in the 1930's . . . His manager was Hymie Miller . . . Oddity about his amateur record, he and Leonard Del Genio appeared on the same card four times as amateurs and both scored knockouts in every fight . . . Jackie, who is interested in heavyweight Bobby Sands, managed by Al Tissi, is now in the restaurant business at Ruby's 206 East 52nd St., New York . . . He's married, and wife Ann and he have a daughter Karyn, now 28.

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George Bruden and Mickey Slaff, manufacturers of John Frederics ties located on 5th Avenue, are very often in the company of Johnny Arcaro ,. . Willie Pep, ex-feather king, comedian Joey Adams and Robert Alda, movie actor, are among those who sport their ties.

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That was a wonderful tribute Ring #21 paid to Joe Kane, member, 80 years old, who was hospitalized in the Veterans Hospital in Brooklyn, and was slated to be transferred to St. Alban's . . . Headed by President Paul Berlenbach, others on hand were the Young Zulu Kid, Sammy Venti, cameraman Don Francione, Steve Riggio, George 'Kid Texas' Cava, Charley Young, Mr. & Mrs. Chick McCormack, Mickey Oliver, Sammy Woods, Johnny Mondello, Carl Aquaro, Sammy Markowitz, Artie DeLuca, Manny Dizon, Frankie Martin, Bill 'Moose' Miller, Bill Hilt, Howard Vance, Mrs. Joe Kane, Evelyn Lowrey, Billy Metz, Ed Ambrose, Anthony DiMelfi, Jimmy Bates, Joe Laguardia, Mary Cotterill, Jim Alexander and George Gaffney . . .It was a final gesture to a former great little pugilist.

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Speaking of Paul Berlenbach's Ring #21, there's Charley Young, now 67, who came to America in 1920, became a fighter and had approximately 55 pro fights as a featherweight, mostly in the armories operating in those days . . . Charley was born in Bagnara, Italy . . . Remembers his best fight as being with the crack West Sider, Eddie Riley, when Jimmy Ambrose was staging weekly shows at the 102nd Medical Regiment Armory on West 66th St. . . . His son Dominick has been a member of the Uniformed Firemen's Association for 42 years. They call Charley the Dapper Dan of the boxing game.

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Former resident of the West Side, 38th St. & 9th Avenue, and Brooklyn's Red Hook section, is another Italy-born gladiator, also with Ring #21, Joseph DiMelfi, who started fighting when he was 16 and always performed as a flyweight . . . Joe's claim to fame, was that he engaged five champions during his activity . . . Jimmy Wilde, Johnny Ertle, Frankie Mason, Pete Herman, three times, and Johnny Buff . . . other good men of his era whom he tangled with were Jabez White, from Albany, Johnny Solzberfrom Brooklyn, and Jersey City's standout, Frankie Burns . . . Altogether he had about 150 fights. Joe's managers were little Joe Sarno and Andy Niederreiter. His career inside the ropes starting in 1912.

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We remember when Tony 'Young' Marullo was one of New Orleans' great performers in fistinana. Those were the days when we were on The Morning Telegraph . . . His was a great record as chronicled by our good friend, David Coapman, of 865 West Huntington, #17, Arcadia, California, 91006 . . . Here's the Marullo story as sent to us: –

"The other day I spoke to Tony 'Young' Marullo in New Orleans where he lives on Irish Bayou Lane . . . He told me he had some 600 fights, began his career in 1915 and was never counted out . . . Born in Brooklyn, Tony never had an amateur bout and was managed by his dad . . . He fought them all, including George Shade, Billy Stribling, Harry Krohn, Soldier Burke, Bryan Downey, Jeff Smith, Jack Britton's son Billy, Battling Siki among others . . . His last fight was against Jackie Holland, who was fatally injured . . . Tony is in good health and spends a lot of his time fishing and hunting."

That's Coapman's story.

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Joe Pushkal, former boxer and now one of our boxing judges, had a big celebration in his family not long ago . . . Joe and his clan gathered at the New York A. C. for reunion. And they really had a ball. The occasion was the celebration of his 50th wedding anniversary. . .Popular Pushkal, his wife Sabina, and the family really lived it up.

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Joe Davis, popular Brooklyn real estate man and well known pugilistic mentor, is now handling a quartet of pro battlers of whom he expects big things . . . They are Bob Stallings, N.Y. State heavyweight champion . . . Al Bolden, Pittsburgh's light heavyweight . . . Tommy Roane, Brooklyn 140-pounder, and Richard Sandy, light heavyweight from London, England.

South Africa To Permit Mixed Bouts

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa– Great news for South African boxers is that the Government is allowing mixed fights at international level in the country and also black vs. black and white vs. white boxers on the same bill.

Springbok promoter Maurice Toweel, is arranging for Pierre Fourie to meet Tom Bogs, Emile Griffith to meet Elijah "Tap Tap" Makhathini, Roger Zami to meet Norman Pangaman Sekgapane or Kokkie Olivier on the same bill.

–ED CLARK

FOSTER'S TITLE SAVED BY ALBUQUERQUE DRAW

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sometime in September but the possibility of such a bout being made runs into many difficulties.

First, as always, comes money, and Foster gets about $200,000 for an evening's work. It is doubtful if a light heavyweight title bout would draw sufficiently for the Garden to have the fight in New York. Light heavyweights don't draw in New York. The big ones in the big town are usually heavyweights.

Foster was interesting in his pre-fight comments. With a perfectly straight face he answered reporters about the approaching contest. He put them on, but good.

"What's his name," he paused, "this guy I'm fighting? Ahumada, that's it. He's just another fight. I fight where the money is and I expect to hold the title for another four years. No one gets it until then."

Well, Bob, someone almost got it and in the writer's book, Ahumada should have gotten it!

"MY SPEED WILL NULLIFY FOREMAN'S STRENGTH," SAYS ALI

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come in some 10 to 15 pounds heavier and will be looking to use that weight to his advantage. There will be no wrestling and there will be no holding or pushing. I simply will not be there to lean on. If Foreman intends to win this fight, he'll have to do it my way and I don't think he can stay with me. Let's wait and see.

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ESCALERA GIVES MENDOZA HIS EXIT PASS IN 8th

By MARIO RIVERA MARTINO

San Juan, P. R. — Clemente Stadium: Alfredo Escalera, 132, polished off Venezuelan Armando Mendoza, 135, in 0:45 of the eighth round when referee Allen Daniels called a halt as Mendoza could not defend himself from Escaler's relentless barrage of blows to the head.

Mendoza had been dropped for an eight count shortly before the finale. The Venezuelan held his own in the early rounds while Escalera had to be warned for illegal backhand blows which marred his performance.

This was not one of Alfredo's better nights as he missed badly at times, but when he did land his blows packed plenty of power.

Welter Fausto Ceja Rodriguez scored an easy ten round verdict over Roberto Gomez. Fausto had Roberto on queer street in the second but did not seem to want to follow up the attack against his game but inferior opponent.

Feather Benjamin Ortiz stopped New Yorker Billy Wade in 1:29 of the eighth of a so-so fight.

In the best bout of the evening, Dominican feather Tony Trys surprised when he scored a well-deserved decision in eight over the well-considered Luis Davila.

Trys kept the pressure on his adversary throughout the bout but Davila made it close. Junior welter L. C. Mark was an E. Z. mark for Laudiel Negron who scored a kayo in 1:29 of the first. A shot to the body did the trick.

▲**Ponce, Puerto Rico** — Bantam Francisco Villegas scored an easy ten round decision over Andres "Malanga" Torres in an attempt to revive boxing in the southern part of the island after a one year lay-off. The fans did not respond accordingly with only 451 paying to see the show.

Villegas was too fast for his more inexperienced foe and was favored with a unanimous decision.

Junior welter Frankie Benitez scored three fast knockdowns over Dominican Juan Disla to score a kayo in 1:48 of the first heat.

In a four round exhibition leading lightweight contender Esteban de Jesus looked good against undefeated Wilfredo Benitez.

▲Esteban de Jesus, leading U.S.A. junior welter, made his reappearance in the ring since being knocked out in the lightweight title match with champion Roberto Duran, beating Mexican Gerardo Ferrat via the TKO route.

De Jesus, weighing 140 pounds, appeared somewhat slower than the man who on one occasion was considered the top lightweight in the world. The slippery Mexican managed to avoid the Puerto Rican's best punches until midway in the fifth round when De Jesus landed a right to the chest which left Ferrat without speed and reflexes.

Later, Esteban connected with a flurry of lefts and rights to the head of his opponent which sent him to the canvas; he was able to get to his feet before the 10 seconds count, but his condition made the referee stop the fight at 1:37 of the fifth round.

The winner fought for the last previous time on March 16 in Panama, for the lightweight title held by Duran. Since then, he has remained ranked in this division, but has decided to fight in the 142 pound limit.

In the semifinal 10 rounder, local bantamweight Andres Hernandez won a unanimous decision from the young Mexican, Artie Torres. Hernandez' speed turned out to be too much for Torres. Although the local boy had the lead in every round, the Mexican was able to resist his constant attack, and was always in the position to trade punches with Hernandez which proved to be the hardest puncher and a superior boxer than his rival.

In another ten rounder, Puerto Rican welter Laudiel "Borituck" Negron, knocked out T.N.T. Gordon of the Virgin Islands at 2:36 of the second round, once again demonstrating his devastating punching power. The one sided fight saw Negron performing some theatrics while connecting hard blows to the body and head of Gordon.

Meanwhile, junior welter Jose "Petardo" Rodriguez surpassed Ramon Montes in order to earn a unanimous 8 round decision over his more experienced competitor. Both men weighed in at 138 pounds.

128 pounder Jose L. Rosa gained a unanimous decision over Miguel Irrizarry in a scheduled six rounder.

GUTIERREZ TAKES OUT INOUE IN NINE AT HONOLULU

By TED YAMACHIKA

Honolulu, Hawaii — Al Gutierrez, 114½, Philippines, TKO'ed Susumu Inoue, 114½, Japan, in the 9th of a scheduled tenner at the HIC arena. The bout was stopped because Inoue suffered a cut eye but it was evident that he was outclassed.

Emilio Placencia, 128, Philippines, knocked out Masami Ito, 130, Japan, in the 3rd of 5.

Anecito Vargas, 112, Philippines, beat Masahiko Takeuchi, 113½, Japan, in 5.

Ruben Aguilar, 134, Mexico, decisioned Chris Sebastian, 135, Philippines, 5.

David Bruce, 152, Honolulu, knocked out Sitiveni Naulu, 154, Tonga, in 2 rounds.

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David Bruce, 151, Honolulu, beat Takeshi Watanabe, 150, Japan, 5.

Hisami Mizuno, 125, Japan, won over Tony Amor, Philippines in 5.

▲Jose Luis Garcia, 207½, Venezuela, took care of the fast talking Charles James, 183¾, Los Angeles, winning a unanimous ten round decision without extending himself.

In another tenner Jose Del Campo, 124, Mexico, finished Rudy Villagonza, 126, Philippines in the 8th.

Sam N'Gata, 180, Tonga, beat Richard Gosha, 192, Los Angeles, in ten but nobody cared.

Sam Fraticelli, 132, Honolulu, came off the floor to beat Masami Ito, 130, Japan, in 5.

Robert Correa, 134, Honolulu, defeated Chris Sebastian, 135, Philippines, in 5.

▲Mani Vaka, 200, Tonga, won his third and his most important win since coming to Honolulu by knocking out Terry Krueger, 207, Texas, in the third of ten. Vaka broke Krueger's nose in the first round and finished him off in the third with a left right combination.

Al Gutierrez, 113, Philippines, had trouble landing solidly but won easily over Ricardo Delgado, 112, Mexico, by forcing the fight all the way. He floored Delgado twice in the last round.

Sam Fraticelli, 132, Honolulu, beat Masami Ito, 131, Japan. 5.

Mitsuyuki Nakane, 130, Japan, outpunched Emilio Placencia, 129, Philippines, in 6.

Rufino Hernandez, 113½, Mexico, defeated Virgilio Amano, 113½, Philippines, 6.

PETRONELLI LEFT HOOKS JIM HENRY TO DEFEAT

By DON HAMILL

Boston, Mass. — Three young prospects, Tony Petronelli, Marvin Hagler, and Paul Poirier, headlined each of the three boxing shows during the past month. Each continued his rise. Both Petronelli and Poirier tangled with the same man, Jim Henry, a Canadian boxing out of New York, appeared to have more experience than his record would suggest. The month's results were as follows:

▲**Portland** — Tony Petronelli, 142, East Bridgewater, New England junior welterweight champion, left-hooked his way to a ten round unanimous decision over Jim Henry, 145, New York. Petronelli forced the fight all the way and kept the Canadian on the defensive.

Bob Richard, 143, Portland, halted relatively inexperienced Joe Huston, 144, Lowell, in the sixth round of an eight spot. Also slated for eight heats was a short contest, Mack Foley, 182, Portland, stopped Bill Thompson, 172, Lowell, who was unable to offer any sort of opposition. Rick Craney, 140, Portland, and Bob Pompeo, 143½, Portland, each was fed inept opponents who were unable to last through the first round. Craney disposed of Jim Pappas, 142, Lowell, in 1:10, and Pompeo annihilated Tommy Crane, 143, also of Lowell, in 1:40.

▲**Portland** — Marvin Hagler, 162, Brockton, racked up his 15th consecutive win by stopping veteran Curtis Phillips, 154, New York, in the fifth round. Hagler dropped the New Yorker in the fourth round and Phillips was saved by the bell. In the fifth round Hagler threw punches with abandon dropping Phillips for his 13th knockout-win.

Ricky Craney, 137, Portland, edged fellow-towner, Bobby Richard, 143½, in a pleasing semi-final over the eight round route. Richard waged a consistent attack mostly to the body but Craney's flashy spurts caufht the eye of the majority of the officials and fans. In four rounders: Bob Pompeo, 144, Portland, halted John Crowell, 147, Lowell; and Charley Kittredge, 126, Portland, took a clear cut unanimous duke over Roland Bryant, 132, also of Portland.

▲**Worcester** — Youthful Paul Poirier, 152, New Bedford, caught the fancy of Worcester fans and he headed his second straight boxing show in the central Massachusetts city. Paul's opponent was the wily veteran, Jim Henry, 145, New York. The 152 pound youngster racked up his 16th straight win by taking every round in winning an eight round unanimous decision. Henry used every trick in the book to frustrate the youngster, but Poirier maintained his poise and methodically piled up points and slowing the veteran to a walk by the late rounds.

Bob Benoit, 176, Oakham policeman, gained a lop-sided eight round decision over Macka Foley, 179, Portland. Benoit was the aggressor throughout, beat Foley to the punch, and nullified most of Foley's futile counters. Jackie Smith, 154, Brockton, caught Pablo Rodriguez, 155, Holyoke, with a left hook in the first round to spill him for the full count. Ricky Craney, 141141, Portland, brought down bearded John Lipomi, 143, Lowell, in the second round for a knockout win. In the four round opener, Steve Toomey, 146, Waterbury, and Bob Pompeo, 144, Portland, battled to a draw in a good action bout.

GARDEN PRELIMS UNVEIL CLEVER JEWISH BOXER

By SAM TAUB

They uncovered a new Jewish middleweight prospect in one of the preliminary scraps staged prior to the Joe Frazier-Jerry Quarry heavyweight skirmish in Madison Square Garden. . .His name is Mike Rossman, a 161¾ pounder hailing from Turnersville, N.J.

This young man caught the fancy of the crowd. . .called the "Jewish Bomber", with 12 straight wins to his credit, Mike had the crowd on edge as he turned in a great performance in gaining a unanimous win over Ray Hernandez, of Brooklyn, 169½.

Rossman won the six rounds all by himself against an adversary who fights best when hurt and kept trying, despite a badly lacerated left optic suffered in the second stanza. . .The newcomer showed he had heart, had the moves and hit pretty well, a combination that won the crowd.

Dr. Harry Kleinman was called in to inspect the cut over the loser's optic in the second round. . .But despite the flawless performance of the winner and his knowledge of the boxing routine, Hernandez carried on to the end of the scrap, for he has plenty of the real fighting spirit. . .Herbie Kronowitz was the referee of this one, as well as two of the other preliminaries.

The other candidate for future laurels, who already has turned in some corking performances, was flashy Pedro Soto, from Puerto Rico, 179, who gave Rene Kinsey, from Miami, Fla., a hefty 186 pounder, such a lacing for two rounds that he was unable to come out for round three.

During the six minutes of action, with Muhammad Ali making his appearance while round two was underway, Kinsey was given a thorough going over and never given a chance to display his talent, being badly outpunched by the two-fisted attack of the winner.

In the semi-final to the Quarry-Frazier fight, there was an eight-round duel between Angel Oquendeo, Fajardo, O.R., 179, the winner, and Billy Kelly Wagner, of Cleveland, Ohio, 179½ pounds. This was strictly an infighting affair and some of the crowd didn't relish it.

They were maulers and Wagner was finally dropped for an eight count by a left hook in the final stanza. He again hit the canvas and was out on his feet when the bell sounded, ending the round and battle. . .The referee was Jimmy Devlin. . .Only surprise was the majority vote as Oquendo clearly was ahead when it was over.

The show opened with a four-rounder in which Jerry Toamontano, Eastchester, N.Y., 161 pounds, scoring an eight second knockdown in the opening canto, won a majority decision over Bill Freel, Miami Beach, Fla., 160¾ pounds.

Before the main event, the usual presentation of former ring kingpins was made. . .Joe Louis, who refereed the feature, got a terrific reception and Gene Tunney, former kingpin, also was given a warm ovation, followed by a big hand for Muhammad Ali, as well as other former champions, such as Emile Griffith, Sandy Saddler, Willie Pep, Jersey Joe Walcott, Joey Giardello, Kid Gavilan and Ike Williams. Also introduced were Johnny Bratton and Vito Antuofermo.

MINNEAPOLIS' RODRIGUEZ MAULS MORGAN IN FIRST

By GEORGE D. BLAIR

Minneapolis, Minn. — Rafael Rodriguez, 151½, Minneapolis, needed only two minutes to stop Mike Morgan, 152½, Richfield. Rodriguez caught Morgan cold in the opening seconds and stunned Mike with a solid left and right.

Morgan fought back but could not recover. Morgan was floored twice with left-right combinations.

After the second knockdown Rodriguez poured it on with heavy punches at which time referee Leroy Benson called a halt.

Rodriguez is now 10-1-1, and Morgan 14-2-2.

Doug Demmings, 166, Minneapolis (5-1-0) stopped Bobby Edwards, 169, Milwaukee (0-2-0) 6.

Scott LeDoux, 220½, Minneapolis (5-0-0) knocked out Larry Pennigar, 214, Milwaukee (2-1-0) 5.

Bruce Finch, 144, Milwaukee (4-0-1) outpointed Gary Holmgren, 151, St. Paul (1-1-0) 5.

Mike Gephart, 145, Minneapolis (3-1-0) stopped Billy Nichols, 145, Minneapolis (0-1-0) 2.

▲**Des Moines, Ia.** — Lamont Lovelady, 162, Des Moines, ran his record to 6-0 when he stopped veteran Ronnie Wilson, 166, San Diego, in the seventh round.

Lovelady was in complete command as he cut up Wilson bad enough to cause the match to be halted. Lovelady felt Wilson out and opened up in the fourth round, and in the sixth put Wilson down on one knee for an eight count with a right hand.

John Copeland, 135, Springfield, Mo., knocked out Julio Lopez, 133, San Diego, at 1:55 of the fifth round.

Jim Moore, 172, Omaha, stopped Randy Nelson, 171, Lincoln, Neb., in the third round.

▲**Milwaukee, Wisc.** — Rodky DeFazio of Chicago and Bobby "Songbird" Williams of Memphis engaged in a ten round middleweight slugfest with DeFazio taking the unanimous decision at the Eagles Club before 1,131 fans. DeFazio upped his record to

The aggressive DeFazio floored Williams twice, once in the second round with a solid left hook, and again in the eighth round.

Williams, who was supposed to be an easy mark for the bullish DeFazio, tried to box his way out of trouble, and did so in the early rounds, but took a beating in the late rounds, not being able to stay out of range. Songbird finished on guts alone. At the final bell both gladiators received a standing ovation.

The fight was scored 99-89, 100-83, and 100-90, all for DeFazio. George Randazzo, a DeFazio handler, said, "Rocky is still young. He'll keep improving. He can be middleweight champion."

Tom Tarantino of Milwaukee stopped Reulen Green of Indianapolis in the second round of a welterweight match.

Chuck Warfield of Chicago stopped Bill Spicer of Muskogee, Okla. in the second round. They are light heavies. Amateurs made up the remainder of the show.

▲**West St. Paul, Minn.** — The comeback of St. Paul's Efren Maldonado was short lived. He was stopped by classy Lee Barber, Detroit, in the fourth round at the Civic Center Ice Arena on promoter Phil Skarda's first pro show before a good crowd.

Barber took command at the outset and decked Maldonado in the first round with a right hand. Efren tried to fight back in the second round but could not get under the long left jab of Barber's. A combination of punches put Maldonado down again in the third round.

Barber poured it on early in the fourth round scoring heavily and the fight was stopped by referee Billy McCabe. Barber, 162, is now 6-1-1 and Maldonado, 160, is 11-6-1.

Chuck Mitch, 140, St. Paul (3-0-0) won a close but hard fought four round split decision over Larry Moore, 135, Charleston, W. Va. (3-3-0).

Gary Struss, 170, St. Paul (2-0-0) knocked out Eddie Queen, 168, Charleston, W. Va. (3-1-0) in 40 seconds of the first round.

▲**St. Paul, Minn.** — A talent show at the Auditorium saw 985 of the faithful turn out to see the pro debuts of three of St. Paul's top amateurs. The card was beset with problems of last minute substitutions, no publicity, etc. Considering this the crowd was good, as were some of the fights.

In the top bout Gary Struss, 172, St. Paul (1-0-0) stopped Troy Boulden, 164, Chicago (0-1-0) in the first round. In other bouts, Gary Holmgren, 148, St. Paul (1-0-0) knocked out Milton Buckley, 148, Chicago, (0-1-0) in one. George Anderson, 137, St. Paul (1-0-0) outpointed Ron Pettingrew, 143, Cleveland (0-6-1) in four. Chuck "Cupcake" Mitch, 141, St. Paul (2-0-0) stopped Sam Carroll, 140, Chicago (0-1-0) in two rounds. Keith Averette, 148, Akron, outpointed John Simpson, 156, Cleveland, O. (2-6-0) in four.

Scott LeDoux, 220, Minneapolis, (4-0-0) stopped Reggie Fleming, 196, Cleveland (2-5-0) in three.

Doug Demmings, 162, Minneapolis (4-1-0) outpointed Dick Ramsey, 170, Cleveland, in four rounds. The three amateur bouts preceeding the pros were the best fights on the show.

MARTINEZ SCORES DOUBLE VICTORY IN TWO STATES

By TOM RAY

Dallas, Tex. — Local featherweight Jimmy Martinez came up with two victories in a brief spell.

In Dallas, Martinez disposed of Tommy Tucker in three.

In Oklahoma City, Martinez outpointed Rito Torres, of Mexico, in a ten-round battle in which Torres had the advantage in weights.

▲**Dallas** — Anytime you have a top notch fighter on a ten round main event, you can usually count on a good fight. But when you have three top notchers fighting main events on the same card, you can count on a lot of action. Promoter Pat O'Grady didn't call his three main event card a "Super Spectacular", but he should have. It was perhaps the best fight card seen in Dallas in years.

Any of the ten rounders could have been considered as a top main event anywhere in the world. . .and the four round curtain opener was pretty good too.

In that four round opener, Tony Gardner, 153, of Dallas, stopped a game Billy Smith, 159, New Jersey, in the first. It was a good fight while it lasted but the hard hitting Gardner ended it all with a crashing right hand in the first.

The first main event featured bantamweights James Martinez, 119, of Dallas and Tommy Tucker, 118, of Mexico. Martinez, two-time National Golden Gloves champion, started fast with a series of left jabs that held his aggressive foe at bay. Tucker did get in a good left hook in the second but it didn't seem to affect the sixth ranked bantam in the United States.

Martinez used a five punch combination in the third to drop Tucker for the count at 1:20 of the round.

Mexico City's Rito Torres tried to make it loss number two for ranked lightweight Jimmy Heair but lost in the third round of the second main event.

Torres, 132, was always the aggressor and his right hand did connect often to Heair's nose. Heair, 133½, of Los Angeles stopped his game foe with a vicious "Mexican left hook" to the liver that dropped a badly hurt Torres to the canvas for the count. The time was 2:01 of the round. Torres put up a great fight against such a stout opponent and will always be welcome to fight in Dallas any time.

Daniel Lee, 6 feet 4 inches, and 194 pounds, almost pulled off an upset but lost by a split decision to Jack "The Giant" O'Halloran, 253½, in the final main event. Both men have excellent trainers. Lee's mentor is Bud Brunner, the man who started Rudell Stitch, middleweight contender, and Jimmy Ellis, former W.B.A. heavyweight champion, to fame. O'Halloran's trainer is former light-heavyweight contender Brian Kelly Burden. Kelly brought Memphis Al Jones into national recognition.

It was a fairly even fight during the first four rounds with Lee, of Louisville, Ky., holding the slight edge. O'Halloran, who now claims Cushing, Okla. as his home, dropped Lee with a left hook in the fifth and from then on it was a real exciting close fight with either man holding the edge. The knockdown might have won the fight for Jack, who, after a seven month layoff, looked rusty.

▲**Oklahoma City, Okla.** — Outweighed by eight pounds, bantam James Martinez, 120, Dallas, outpointed junior lightweight Rito Torres, Mexico City, in ten rounds. Martinez won all the rounds on the score cards of all the three officials.

After a feel'em out first round, Torres turned aggressor but found the quick counterpunches of Martinez too much to cope with. Martinez threw everything but the ring post at Torres but couldn't stop him.

James' best weapon was a sharp right hand and with it he cut Rito's left eye pretty bad. It was an action-packed, exciting affair.

In the ten round co-main event, tall and terrific Tony Gardner, 155, Dallas, scored a revenge knockout over Jimmy Jones, Philadelphia. Jones had stopped Gardner in the first round on March 13, 1970 in St. Louis. But this time it was Gardner's turn. After scoring with some stiff jabs, Tony ended it all in the first with a smashing overhand right.

In a four round special heavyweight event, Danny Linville, 6 feet 6 inches, by 200 pounds, stopped veteran Pete Knight in the second round.

Linville, making his pro debut against a thirty-fight veteran, knocked Knight down in the second round with a left hook. Knight took an eight count but seconds later the referee stopped the fight.

Linville, who has been sparring with Jack O'Halloran of late, looks like a comer.

SEVERAL WELL-KNOWN PERSONALITIES PASS ON

By SAM TAUB

The boxing world was saddened by the loss of a number of its well-known personalities recently. . .News of the death of Frankie 'Jay' Jacobs, was a real shocker, as he was at his boxing haunts only a few days before. . .Frankie was a popular figure and managed a number of outstanding performers. . .Frankie, who was 71, left his son Freddie, a dean at Campus Free College, in Boston, his daughter-in-law, Jane, a social worker, and a sister-in-law, Florence Strom.

Jay, years ago, was affiliated with the late Sol Gold. They managed, among others, Jackie 'Kid' Berg, of London, former junior welter champion. . .Among Frankie's performers were Petey Hayes, a feather, who once scored a ten-round duke over Kid Chocolate. . .Sammy Dorfman and Bernie Friedkin, as well as two Ohio dandies in Tony Janiro and Lenny 'Boom Boom' Mancini. . .Also, while affiliated with Jack Singer as night manager of his Flame Steak restaurant, Jay also had more than a rooting interest in Oscar Bonavena, Argentine heavyweight, as well as Jorges Fernandez, Argentine welter and later middleweight star, who once fought Emile Griffith for the welter crown in Las Vegas, dropping the decision.

For years, Frankie was associated with Chickie Bogad and Nick Masuras in running the Neutral Corner, at 8th Avenue & 55th St., quite a rendezvous for the fistic clan after the Friday night Garden fights, as well as a bar and grill at 2nd Avenue & 44th St., later joining Jack Singer at the Flame Steak restaurant on West 42nd St. in 1959, where he spent quite a number of years.

The likeable Jay was a stickler on boxing and dug up many questions with which to stump newspapermen and the rest of the fistic clan.

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Broadway also will miss little Johnny Rosner, of Yorkville, the first man to make the trip across the big pond to challenge Jimmy Wilde for the world flyweight title. . .Johnny, a widower, last worked for the City of New York. . .His brother, Max, was famous as the operator of the Bushwicks, a semi-pro baseball outfit which competed against Babe Ruth and other World Series stars. . .Johnny was 79.

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Pete Mello, a name well known in amateur boxing as well as the pro ranks, was another casualty. . .He was 71. . .Mello was rated one of the most successful of all Olympic boxing coaches. . .It was in 1952, when Floyd Patterson was on his team as a middleweight at the Olympics in Helsinki, that Mello representatives captured five crowns. For years he served as coach of the New York Inter-City Golden Gloves teams.

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Popular Patrick J. Callahan, 80 years old, retired deputy commissioner of the New York State Athletic Commission, was another mourned by the boxing clan. . .Pat was a deputy boxing commissioner for 32 years and retired in 1967. He never missed a chance to see the Garden fights. . .Pat was in the insurance business with his brother, Cornelius, of Valley Stream, and is survived by his widow, Julia. . .Pat and his wife lived in Jensen Beach, Fla.

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Another name from yesteryear passed on. He was 74-year-old Thomas F. Hillard, a contender in the 1920's. For 15 years, he was the boxing pro at the City Athletic Club. . .Until his retirement he had been a driver for the city Department of Highways.

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Before going to press, came the news of the passing of Charlie Pilkington, New York native and long time Meriden, Conn., resident. . .He was 76.

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BANTAM CHAMP TAYLOR LOSES OVERWEIGHT FIGHT TO TRUJILLO OF MEXICO

By ED CLARK

Port Elizabeth, South Africa — World bantamweight champion Arnold Taylor lost an undisputed 10 round points, non-title, decision to Mexico's Lorenzo Trujillo who arrived in S. Africa only 24 hours before the fight.

Taylor, 124, declared the weight edge of Trujillo's 131½ made the difference but the fight before a 2,500 crowd at the Showgrounds Hall showed Taylor below form against the lightweight champion of Texas.

Taylor, with a new trainer in his corner, having parted from Pat Jackson, was under severe pressure in the last two rounds. Not a great fight but the workmanlike Mexican kept at Taylor all the time except in the eighth. Three head blows from Taylor had him in his tracks.

Throwing short lefts and rights, the Mexican used his right repeatedly from half way up and got thru Taylor's guard. His stabbing left hand also brought him points.

After a quiet first, Trujillo went after Taylor, landing his blows and causing Taylor to miss. Taylor's eye was cut and the referee, Les Muller, stopped the fight but allowed proceedings to continue and Taylor landed some good rights. Close range action was prominent in the fourth and Taylor shaded the fifth. Trujillo won the sixth clearly landing a solid right and hustling Taylor and also scored well with a short left.

Taylor fought back well in the seventh with left-right combinations but the Mexican was to the fore in the next round. Turning on the pressure the weight began to tell on Taylor. Taylor was driven back but weathered the storm and in the final stanza Trujillo re-opened the cut on Taylor's left eye but was unable to do any serious damage. At the end, blood poured from Taylor's face and the decision in favor of Trujillo was well received. Louis Neveling annexed the Cape lightweight title by outboxing the wild swinging Freddie Rust, 131½, over 10 rounds. Neveling, 133½, was unmoved by Rust's spoiling tactics and won clearly.

Ronnie du Preez, 145½, had too much on the ball for Andre Nel, 147, and although Nel tried hard, du Preez was the winner over 10 rounds to retain his Cape welterweight title. du Preez had Nel down in the first and Nel was warned for infringements but the crowd were treated to an action fight.

▲**Johannesburg** — Louis Fourie, brother of Pierre, made short work of Apie du Toit whom he halted in the first of a welterweight clash. Sydney Bensch iced Gavin Crouch, 1, middleweights; Johnny Sham TKO'ed Dave Koen, 4, welters.

▲**Pietermaritzburg** — At the Wadley Stadium, Edendale Joe Sishi found a new lease on life when he clearly outboxed Abraham Sibeko to win the middleweight clash over 10 rounds. It was his straight jabs and combinations that won him the day and Sibeko did well to last.

Cynet Shabalala decisioned Jackie Coleberg, lightweights; Dan Veeran KO'ed Johannes Dlamini, 3, bantams; Richard Ndlovu decisioned Samuel Dube, 4, middleweights; Solomon Mthalane decisioned Maxwell Zondo, 4.

▲**East London** — Nkosana "Happy Boy" Mgxaji retained his junior lightweight title, defeating challenger Anthony Morodi on a TKO in the 11th round. A crowd of 4,000 saw the fight that started at 5:10 p.m. and ended at 5:52 p.m. when Morodi raised his arms to surrender after he had been shaken by a hard left hook in the 11th.

Save for the moonlight that provided the only source of light from the eighth, the fight was fought in poor light. Mgxaji assumed the ascendancy from the fourth, then Morodi was on the receiving end.

He tried to make a fight of it but was hammered around the ring offering hardly any resistance.

Mzukisi Skweyiya decisioned Jacob Jobe, 6, bantams; Ben Leklake TKO'ed Tsietsi Maretloane, lightweights; Griffiths Mgijima decisioned Joe Archer, 6, junior welterweights.

▲**New Brighton, Port Elizabeth** — Aubrey "Kid Cool" Peta added the Cape junior lightweight title to his feather crown by scoring a unanimous 10 round decision over Phillip Masiza. It was a revenge win for Peta who turned in a polished performance against Masiza's disappointing display. Going forward thruout, Peta controlled the fight with lightning jabs and Maziza showed gameness and that was all.

▲**Tembisa, Pretoria** — At the Rabasotho Hall, national light heavyweight champion, James Mathatho KO'ed the Natal counterpart in the third of a scheduled 10 round non-title bout. Doing a demolition job, Mathatho exploded lefts and rights to Khuboni's head and Khuboni went down but rose after a short count. He went down again dazed for the full toll. It was a one-sided affair after the first when Khuboni held his own.

Ben Lekalake iced Rocky Mabaso, 1, lightweights; Moses Khoni KO'ed Patrick Khanya, 3, lightweights; Elias Maredi outscored Richard Ngidi, 4, lightweights; Freddie Maake KO'ed Norman Hlalele, 4, flyweights.

▲**Johannesburg** — Weighing his heaviest, Pierre Fourie, 174½, was declared the winner when after a clash of heads in the third, Rudiger Schmidtke of Germany, 177, emerged with a cut, a vicious V-shape on the right eye that sent the blood pouring down and the referee Stan Christodoulou stopped the fight.

Schmidtke, who had vowed to KO Fourie was bitterly disappointed but was warned in the third for butting. It was an accident that caused the stoppage, Schmidtke threw a left then missed with a right and on going towards Fourie the heads clashed.

The crowd of 16,000 at Wembley stadium were keyed up as the fight began and the German went into the attack weaving his way in with lefts and rights and found Fourie more than willing.

Blood was seen on Fourie's nose in the first but Fourie scored with hard lefts that had Schmidtke going back. Schmidtke was warned for holding in the second but got home long lefts and rights to the jaw. Fourie caught him with a hard left but no harm was evidenced by Schmidtke. The third began when Schmidtke shot out lefts and rights and then came the ending that left Schmidtke crying in the ring.

Kokkie Olivier and Pietro Ceru, Italy, served up 10 blistering rounds of all action before the fans but the fight was declared a draw. Ceru showed gameness when Olivier had him going in the seventh but fought back so well that he had Olivier down for 9 in the eighth. Ceru took much punishment but Olivier was guilty of butting and holding. It was a junior welterweight bout.

TONGAN PONGIE LIE MAKES HIT IN BEATING HERNANDEZ

By JACK FINNIGAN

Tucson, Ariz. — Pongie Lie, a Tongan transplant, now living in Phoenix, made a hit with the fans as he scored a decisive win over Rocky Hernandez of San Francisco at the Community Center. Pongi, Pacific champion and rated among the British Commonwealth top 10, danced and jabbed, and scored two knockdowns enroute to the 10-round decision.

In a co-feature, Paco Flores, 154, Tucson, stopped Percy Hugh, 147, New Orleans, in 2:45 of the second. Flores, Arizona junior middle champ had Pugh down three times before referee Bob Ferrera called a halt.

Tony Arandas, 134, Phoenix, decisioned Nick Alfaro, 133, Tucson, in six; Valentine Kelly, 155, Las Vegas, decisioned Armando Valente, 168, Tuscon in another six.

▲Boxing returned to Phoenix at Gerard High gym. Mike Avans, 160, Phoenix, won a 12-round decision over Vicente Medina, 160, Tucson. It was billed for the state middleweight crown.

In the semi-main, Beto Nunez, 126, Phoenix, stopped Lie Garcia, 125, Tucson, in 1:52 of the second.

In other action, Donny Nelson battled Bob Avery for eight rounds before taking a decision. Both are heavyweights, and both are from Phoenix.

Another eight rounder went to Johnny Montange of Phoenix. He decisioned Manuel Silva of Tucson. Both are welterweights.

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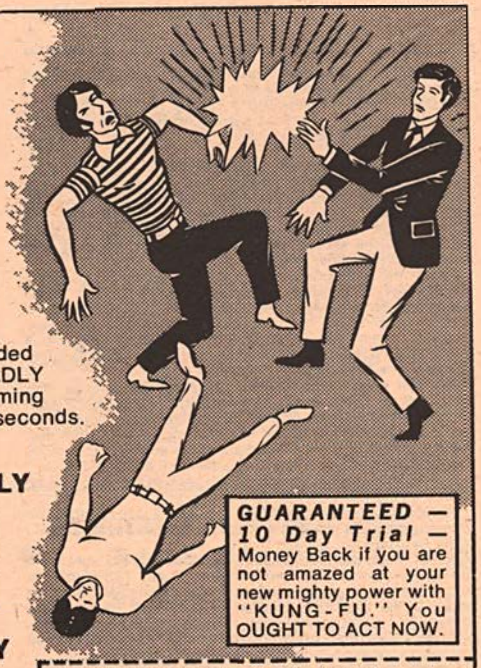

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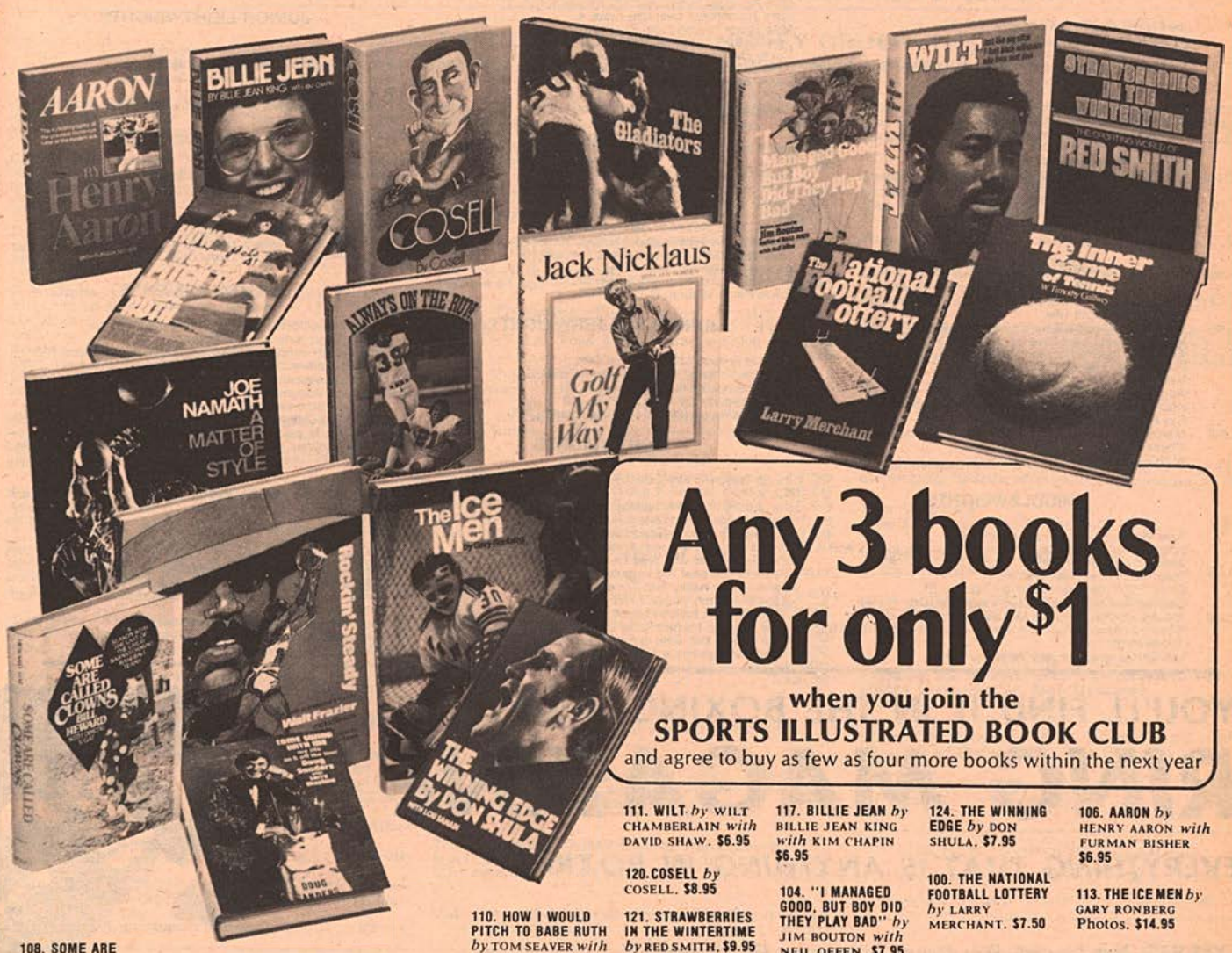

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HEAVYWEIGHTS

Joe Frazier kayoed Jerry Quarry, 5.
Ken Norton kayoed Boone Kirkman, 8.
Chuck Wepner stopped Charley Polite, 4.
Joe Bugner halted Mario Baruzzi, 10. E.B.U. Heavyweight Title.
Henry Clark decisioned Mac Foster, 10.
G.G. Maldonado beat Bill Carson, 8.
Jack O'Halloran outpointed Daniel Lee, 10.
Johnny Boudreaux decisioned Terry Daniels, 10.
Jose Roman kayoed Vicente Rondon, 2.
Leroy Jones stopped Bob Crutison, 2.
Mike Koranicki halted John L. Johnson, 5.
Charlie Harris kayoed Tony Ventura, 9.
Larry Holmes stopped Bob Mashburn, 7.
Tom Berry halted Claude McBride, 4.
Terry Hinki won from Lou Bailey, 10.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Bob Foster drew with Jorge Ahumada, 15, retained World Light Heavyweight Title.
Tom Bogs outpointed Bunny Sterling, 10.
Victor Galindez beat Jose Gonzalez, 10.
Avenamar Peralta stopped Maxie Smith, 3.
Richie Kates kayoed Jimmy Dupree, 1.
Vinnie Curto decisioned Luis Vinales, 10.
Angel Oquendo beat Billy Wagner, 8.
Raul Loyola halted Willie Taylor, 6.
Ray Elson kayoed James Marcus, 1.
Marcel Clay decisioned Nat King, 10.
Chuck Warfield kayoed Bill Spicer, 2.
Al Newman stopped Ed Ostopovich, 1.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Tony Mundine kayoed Len Harden, 3.
Oscar Alvarado stopped Koichi Wajima, 15, to win W.B.A. Junior Middleweight Title.
Tony Licata beat Willie Warren, 10.
Emile Griffith decisioned Renato Garcia, 10.
Charkey Ramon halted Manuel Fierro, 7.
Vito Antuofermo defeated Mel Dennis, 10.
Kevin Finnegan outpointed Jean-Claude Bouttier, 15, E.B.U. Middleweight Title.
Lee Barber kayoed Efran Maldonado, 4.
Tony Gardner halted Joe Louis Hargrove, 2.
Mike Rossman outpointed Ray Hernandez, 6.
Jerry Tramontano beat Billy Freel, 4.
Mike Baker kayoed Fidel Gonzalez, 4.
Jean LeClair beat Danny McAloon, 10.
Rocky DeFazio decisioned Robert Williams, 10.
Juan Botta outpointed Chris Pina, 8.
Denny Moyer halted Mike Lancaster, 10.
George Cooper kayoed Ruben Leyva, 2.
Paul Poirier decisioned Paul Osborne, 8.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Clyde Gray kayoed Gil King, 4.
John Stracey stopped Roger Menetrey, 8, E.B.U. Welterweight Title.
Fausto Rodriguez beat Roberto Gomez, 10, Art Kettles, 10.
Elisha Obed drew with Dario Hidalgo, 10.
Fernando Marcotte beat Art Kettles, 10.
Lawrence Hafey drew with Marc Gervais, 10.
Larry Butler halted Claude Gauthier, 5.
Armando Muniz beat Roy Barrientos, 10.
Eddie Parks stopped C.J. Faison, 5.

JUNIOR WELTERWEIGHTS

Monroe Brooks lost to Leonico Ortiz
Esteban DeJesus kayoed Gerardo Ferrat, 5.
Tony Petronelli halted Cruz Ramos, 7.
Ezra Davis stopped Larry Bonds, 2.
Yosh Ogawa outpointed Nacho Castenda, 10.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Hugo Gutierrez kayoed Ramon Herrera, 3, drew with Miguel Coria, 10.
Ray Lunny III beat Mike Mayon, 10.
Angel Mayorel decisioned Juan Collado, 10.
Hugo Barraza outpointed Jose Luis Lopez, 10.
Ramon Reyes drew with Antonio Amaya, 10.
Paul Tope drew with Jose Resto, 10.
Royal Boutin beat Kid Legace, 6.
Jimmy Heair halted Rito Torres, 3.
Laudial Negron stopped TNT Gordon, 2.
Jose Peterson halted Frankie Otero, 5.
Dom Monaco kayoed Ricky Camora, 3.
Paul Colette Win Disq. over Jerry Powers, 3.
Randy Shields kayoed Al Foster, 2.
Dave Kirby outpointed Roscoe Frazier, 8.

JUNIOR LIGHTWEIGHTS

Alfredo Escalera kayoed Carlos Mendoza, 8.
Victor Echegaray drew with Jorge Gomez, 10.
Antonio Amaya drew with Ramon Reyes, 10.
Roy Taylor kayoed Ray Thomas, 1.
Ruby Ortiz drew with Jose Rivera, 4, beat Terance Turner, 4.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Ruben Olivares kayoed Ad Zapanta, 2.
Rigoberto Riasco halted Jesus Estrada, 6.
Lorenzo Trujillo beat Arnold Taylor, 10, Non-title.
Jimmy Lopez kayoed Phil Hudson, 5.
Rey Hidalgo halted Luis Herazo, 2.
Rodolfo Francis kayoed Jose Hernandez, 1.
Mario Mendoza stopped Carny Beto, 1.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Arnold Taylor lost to Lorenzo Trujillo, 10, Non-title.
Benico Sosa halted Hector Molina, 7.
Jose Casas stopped Rodolfo Calderolli, 2, Juan Rios, 7.
Rodolfo Martinez kayoed Saul Montano, 10.
David Vasquez beat Benny Rodriguez, 10.
Francisco Villegas outpointed Andres Torres, 10.
Jose Luis Soto kayoed Fernando Cabenala, 8.
Thanomjit Sukhothai halted Max Sanchez, 5.
Frank Duarte outpointed Tetsuro Kawakimi, 10.
James Martinez kayoed Tommy Tucker, 3, Genaro Morones, 4, beat Rito Torres, 10.

FLYWEIGHTS

Betulio Gonzalez beat Shozo Oguma, 10, non-title.
Miguel Canto decisioned Manuel Montiel, 10.
Vicente Pool kayoed Antonio Munoz, 5.
Costenito Morales outpointed Ricardo Delgado, 12.
Ingacio Espinal stopped Alberto Cabanig, 2.
Fernando Cabanela drew with Marcos Britton, 10, kayoed by Jose Luis Soto, 8.
Juan Brizuela defeated Diego Ramirez, 10.
Alberto Davila halted Rudy Gonzalez, 7.
Carlos Rios beat Felipe Perez, 8.

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KATES KOs DUPREE IN FIRST HEAT AT PHILLY

By NIGEL COLLINS

Philadelphia, Pa. — Ranking New Jersey light heavy Richie Kates scored a one punch KO over veteran contender Jimmy Dupree at the Arena. Kates, not known for his punching prowess, caught Jimmy flush on the chin with a perfect right hand and it was all over in 2:01 of the opening round. It was by far the most exciting performance of Kates' career and raised his record to 25-1.

This was the first promotion for Joe McGuigan and his matchmaker Clint Davidson. They packaged a good action show. McGuigan says he will be back despite a lean gate.

In another scheduled ten, Roy Williams, 225, destroyed Vic Brown, 205, with three knockdowns in the first round. Brown who took the fight on half a day's notice, provided little opposition but Williams did a clean job of disposal. "Big Roy" is now 21-3.

Jimmy Dupree's cousin Rodell outpointed New England's Jerry Houston over eight. Rodell, who gave away 41 pounds at 188, forced the action in a sloppy bout. Jerry, another late sub, looked fat and out of shape.

New Yorker Nate Dixon, 156, TKO'ed local Rudy Donato, 158, in the second round of a brawl that had the fans jumping for joy. Dixon was on top all the way but Donato was never out of the fight until the final barrage that sent him down. Rudy gamely struggled to his feet but the ref called a halt.

Newcomer Jimmy Smith, 145, looked impressive knocking out Marvin Edwards, also 145, in three and Skipper Jones, 160, and Al Styles, Jr., 157, fought their hearts out to a 4-round draw.

▲**Spectrum** — Alfonso Hayman looked lucky to get the controversial 10-round split decision over Roy Barrientos. The match had been moved up to main event status when a training injury forced "Cyclone" Hart to drop out of his scheduled bout with "Boogaloo" Watts.

Hayman spent too much time posing and allowed the rugged little Texan to pound away at his mid-section most of the night. Alfonso came alive a little the last few rounds but never really got going.

Referee Pete Tomasco scored 47-45 for Hayman while judge Wahl had it a 47-47 standoff. Judge Nate Lopenson's 48-43 for the Philadelphia gave him the fight and earned Lopenson a six month suspension from Commissioner Zack Clayton. The Ring had Barrientos a narrow 46-45 victor.

A pair of entertaining 8-rounders saw Ray Fields, 141, upset Jimmy Savage, 146, and Ray Hall, 130, earn an unpopular but fair decision over Eddie Rivera, 129.

A third round knockdown scored by Fields was the major difference in his bout with Savage. Hall's cleaner punching offset Rivera's late rally.

Matthew Franklin came back to halt "Smokey" Joe Middleton in a great battle of unbeaten light heavyweights. Middleton started quick, hurting the local boxer with a strong body attack. Franklin rallied in the fourth with a series of right uppercuts that stunned Joe and opened an eye cut that prompted the ref to call things off at 2:15 of the fifth.

Albany, N.Y. amateur star Bob Stewart, 174, turned pro with a second round TKO over Billy Early, 177. Ernest Bing, 131, stopped "Slim" Lawrence Floyd in two and Kid Sampson, 156, chilled Johnny Martino in one.

▲**Blue Horizon** — South Philly's talented Mike Everett avenged his lone pro defeat by hammering out a 4-round TKO over Ronald "Bo" Whyms of Brooklyn. Whyms stopped Everett last year in New York but faced a much improved fighter in the re-match.

In their first fight Mike made the mistake of trying to stand toe to toe with Whyms and came out second best. This time he moved in and out utilizing his superior speed to good advantage.

Mike turned southpaw in the second and opened a nasty gash alongside of Whyms' left eye. "Bo" came back to hurt Everett in the third with a hard right to the body but Mike was once again in command at round's end.

The ringside physician inspected Whyms' eye between the third and fourth and instructed referee Bob Polis to call a halt if the wound reopened. Mike went right to work stunning Whyms with a volley of right hands that sent the blood flying and "Bo" to the showers for the night.

Mike, who enjoyed a one pound advantage at 143, is now 10-1-1. Whyms asked for a rubber match.

Tyrone Phelps, 151, New York, decked local Kid Sampson, 161, in the second round to edge out a close points win over six chukkers.

James Phoenix, 146, convincingly beat Norman McCray, 144, in another six but had to fight for every point.

Rounding out the highly entertaining show were two scheduled fours that saw unbeaten Alfonso Evans decision Ron Meaweather, a pound down at 127, and Eddie Everett, 145, KO Charlie Patterson, 138, in three. Eddie is the youngest member of the fighting Everett brothers.

▲**Arena** — After a dismally run tournament the finals of the Mid Atlantic AAU Golden Gloves turned out to be a pleasant surprise. The 16 bout championship card was excellent with each match producing exciting action.

The best fight of an outstanding evening of boxing was between Lynwood Snowden and Marino Vivas in the 118 pound open class. Snowden earned the decision but both battlers shared in a standing ovation.

"Two Gun" Johnny Barr, winner in the 112 pound open class, received the Rocky Marciano Sportsman Award from the County Detective Association of Pennsylvania.

In the 112 class, John Barr KO'ed Darryl Lee, 118. Lynwood Snowden dec. Marino Vivas, 126. Conrad Massey dec. Tyrone Demby, 135. Ronnie Aurit dec. Ricky Norton, 147. Randolph Scott dec. Jeremiah King, 160 lbs. Ernie Singletary dec. Terry Flake, 175. Hillard Workman dec. Carl Blair,. Heavyweight Marvin Stinson dec. Monroe Young.

Novice Class results: 112 lbs. Dannie Parker dec. John Carter, 118. Mike Furdella dec. Wade Hinnant, 126. Joe Renzi TKO'ed Steve Temple, 135. William McClennion dec. George Lewis, 147. Kenny Styles KO'ed Lorenzo Gould, 160. Jack Thornton dec. Lionel Jones, 175. Broderick Mason dec. Al Yasbick. Heavyweight Robert Hill TKO'ed Gregory Slaughter.

VASQUEZ BEATS RODRIGUEZ; PARK SCORES KNOCKOUT

By SAM TAUB

They tossed a couple of fighting gamecocks into New York's Felt Forum Ring and a turnout of 1,497, paying $8,071.01, had plenty of excitement. Davey Vasquez, a local, scaling 117½, won a hotly contested ten round go over Benny Rodriguez, from Chihuahua, Mexico, in their ten round feature, via a decision. . .These two, both sporting moustaches, furnished plenty of excitement from the start to finish.

Despite the unanimous win, Rodriguez, the man currently ranked fifth in the class, was by no means disgraced. . .It was a great fight in which one mistake could lose for either. . .Vasquez, with his corner yelling jab with your left, kept the pressure on the man from the West Coast. The loser, using a beautiful combination often, showed he could turn the tide with one attack. . .Vasquez, in his second comeback in a month, didn't make a mistake. . .The result was a fast going, action-filled quarrel.

Referee Georgie Coyle and Judge Teddy Martin both had it 6-3-1 and Judge Johnny Dram 6-4, for Vasquez. . .We also had it 6-3-1 for the winner.

The co-feature ten ended in a clean-cut knockout in 2:44 of the fifth round, registered by Eddie Parks, Paterson, N.J., 147¾, over substitute C. J. Faison, Washington, D.C., 150½.

Barney Smith refereed this one. . .Faison, decked for a nine count in the fourth, was again dropped for an automatic count in the fifth before he was stretched cold with a left hook. . .There was excitement for a few seconds as Drs. Campbell and Kleinman, together with the handlers, gathered about the fallen gladiator, who finally got up, although still well shaken up.

The six spot between Jerry Tramontano, of Eastchester, N.Y., 161, and James Redford, of Bayside, N.Y., 165, wound up in a draw.

The opening four, Mike Bowser, from Manhattan, and Jose Elias, a Bronxite, both 153½, also was declared a draw, in a hectic affair, in which Bowser seemed to have a bit the better of the going.

▲A ten round feature, second of a double bill, at the N.Y. Forum, resulted in a strange and unexpected outcome. Domenico Monaco, of Naples, Italy, 132½, scored a three round victory over Ricky Camora, from Buenos Aires, 135¾, who failed to come out for the fourth round.

Camora, complaining from the first minute of the fight about inability to use his left hand, finally settled it all by not coming out for the fourth.

Bout was less than a minute old when the South American, using only his right, was complaining about his left and for the first two rounds Monaco was doing a good job with left hooks. . .In the third Monaco started to use both hands and looked better. . .Drs. Edwin Campbell and Ira McCowan, who first examined the arm at the end of the first, were flabbergasted but could do nothing. . .At the end of the third period, in which Camora did use the injured hand, Dr. Campbell again jumped into the ring, again examined the arm but it was apparent Monaco was finished. Dr. Campbell so advised Referee Johnny Colan.

The opening ten ended abruptly in 2:12 of the sixth round when Referee Wallace Ortiz interceded, giving Raul Loyola, from Mendoza, Argentine, 172½, a TKO win over Brooklyn's Willie Taylor, 170¼, due to a badly lacerated left eye, suffered in the third round. . .Loyola looked a little bit better than he did out on Long Island but was also a little behind his foe when the fight was halted.

Truth to tell, the cut was a bad one and the fight could very well have been halted in the third round, when Taylor was nailed, although Willie kept crowding his man all throughout until the arbiter stopped it. . .Taylor stomped on the canvas and vigorously protested when the fight was finally called off.

The trio of four rounders, one a scheduled six curtailed, all went the limit, with the following results: George Fakaras, from Lake Ronkonkoma, Long Island, 141, unanimously decisioned Tito Flores, from New York, 140½. . .Ruby Ortiz, Puerto Rico, 128½, won a majority duke over Terrance Turner, Newark, N.J., 128, in the curtailed affair, while Ron Gibbons, from Huntington, L.I., and Henry Ocasio, from the Bronx, 141, in the best scrap of the night, wound up in a draw.

▲The Memorial Day fiesta at New York's Felt Forum saw Eduardo Santiago, of Santurce, P.R., 131, register a squeaker over Livio Nolasco, of the Dominican Republic, 130, it was a split decision. . .It was the rubber match between the two dynamos and a pair of knockdowns in the sixth round by Santiago, which earned him a 5-5 count on Judge Harold Lederman's card but awarding him the duke on a 7-5 point spread, due to the knockdowns. . .The other judge, Carlos DeJesus had it 6-4 for Santiago, while Referee Mark Conn's score sheet had Nolasco a 5-4-1 winner. . .Like their previous scraps it was a lulu.

The first ten saw Chris Fernandez, from the Dominican Republic, also a majority winner over Saoul Mamby, New York, the winner having a big edge over his opponent in an interesting skirmish, Fernandez scaling 140 to the loser's 141.

In a six rounder, Henry Ocasio, Bronxite, 140¼ pounds, defeated Justice Ortiz, Brooklyn, 139, while the opening four resulted in a quick kayo by Ernie Lassiter, Newark, 195, who vanquished Mack Burks, from Baltimore, 192¾, the third knockdown being curtains.

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HERRERA DISPOSES OF ANAYA IN 6th ROUND

By EDUARDO AMER G.

Mexico, D.F. — Rafael Herrera, 117, WBC champion, retained his title version by stopping Romeo Anaya, 117, in sixth round. Rodolfo Martinez, 117, halted Saul Montana, 117, in the eleventh round to retain North American bantamweight crown. Jose Medina, 116, became new Mexican bantamweight champion by outpointing Jose Luis Soto, 116, in twelve rounds. Carlos Zarate, 119, kayoed Juan Ordonez, 119, in 3. Alfonso Zamora, 120, TKO'ed Raul Tirado, 118, in two. About 20 thousand fans paid 2 million mexican pesos to see this program.

▲**Merida, Yucatan** — Miguel Canto, 112, won a split decision over Pablito Jimenez, 112, of Dominican Republic, in ten. Erbito Salavarria, 112, TKO'ed Vicente Pool, 113, in six. Jose Baquedano, 145, bested Faustino "Dinamita" Delgado, 148, in ten. Paulino Canche, 117, defeated Jose Luis Hernandez, 116, in six. Ranulfo Cano, 111, whipped Rene "Borreguito" Torres, 110, in six.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Ignacio Espinal, 112, of Dominican Republic, TKO'ed Valentin "Duende" Martinez, 110, in 7. Manuel Castaneda, 112, TKO'ed Jose "Chango" Alvarez, 111, in 7. Juan Diaz, 111, TKO'ed Atanasio Delgado, 112, in 6. Jose Flores, 116, decisioned Abel Canseco, 117, in 6. Emeterio Garcia, 111, TKO'ed Eleodoro Chavez, 111, in 3.

▲**Ciudad Juarez** — Ruben Olivares, 123, knocked out Adriano Zapanta, 126, of Philippines, in two. Chucho Castillo, 127, outscored Victor Rodrigo, 127, of Costa Rica, in 10. Cornelio "Memin" Vega, 126, and Octavio "Famoso" Gomez, 127, technical drew in 6. Tarcisio Gomez, 120, TKO'ed Alberto Cabanig, 116, of Philippines, in four. Goyo Rios, 124, iced Gerardo Venzor, 124, in one.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California** — Valente Vera, 124, TKO'ed Salvador Martinez Carrillo (Guero Papero), 123, in 8. Nacho Lomeli, 123, TKO'ed Paco Sanchez, 124, in two.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Pedro Martinez, 117, defeated Salvador "Lobo" Lozano, 117, in ten. Tomas Martinez, 134, TKO'ed David Cosme, 135, in 8.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero** — Juan "Ranita" Robles, 123, KO'ed Carlos Tornes, 124, in 3. Gabriel Reynoso, 142, embalmed Adan Diaz, 141, in four. Alejandro Flores, 120, TKO'ed Mardonio Zavaleta, 122, in 4.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Leonardo Bermudez, 123, was stopped by Pedro Jimenez, 124, in seven. Lupe Delgadillo, 134, TKO'ed Eduardo Barba, 134, in two.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon** — Baltazar Garcia, 126, nailed Jose Espinosa, 124, in 6.

▲**Tapachula, Chiapas** — Fernando Gomez, 112, TKO'ed Hipolito Hernandez, 112, in 7. Manny Gomez, 115, won over Javier Valdez, 116, in 10.

▲**La Paz, Baja California** — Carlos Mendoza, 119, of Panama, beat Goyo Vargas, 121, in 10. Manuel Bastidas, 124, bombed Henry Jacobo, 125, in one.

▲**Valladolid, Yucatan** — Adolfo Sangeado, 135, KO'ed Benny Villeda, 133, in 2. Virgilio Estrella, 110, outpointed Kid Valente, 111, in ten. Carlos Cano, 113, bested Raul Franco, 114, in 6. Lonny Pacheco, 116, destroyed Manuel Gomez, 115, in the first round. Lino Ceballos, 110, lost to Chamaco Cruz, 110, in four.

▲**Navojoa, Sonora** — Juan Ramon "Chilango" Perez, 117, and Lupe Romero, 117, drew in ten.

Tijuana, Baja California — Juan Jose Guzman, 112, decisioned Evaristo Perez, 113, in ten. Rosendo Ruvalcaba, 147, TKO'ed Benny "Kid" Barra, 148, in 2.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon** — Jose Luis Lopez, 118, KO'ed Salvador "Perro" Gonzalez, 119, in ten. Enrique Muniz, 116, and Federico Duran, 117, drew in 10. Javier Moncebaez, 115, gained Jose Reyna, 113, in 8. Tony Delgado, 116, TKO'ed Lupe Aguilar, 116, in four.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Humberto Alcala, 118, stopped Carlos Villarreal, 117, in 4. Memin Becerra, 121, KO'ed "Costenito" Valdez, 121, in 9.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero** — Francisco Angelito, 132, polished off Raul Arroyo, 133, in 7. Leo "Cuervo" Castellanos, 112, bested Pedro Hernandez, 112, in ten.

▲**Uruapan, Michoacan** — Antonio Cabrera, 123, KO'ed Primitivo Gurriola, 122, in 8.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Salvador Medina, 119, and Memo Ramirez, 118, drew in ten. Chucho Hernandez, 123, TKO'ed Ricardo Hernandez, 124, in 2.

▲**Campeche** — Joe del Angel, 116, halted Pedro Martinez, 117, in 4. Kid Arroz, 118, won by a technical decision over Juan Padilla, 122, in 7.

▲**Progreso, Yucatan** — Jose Luis "Chamaco" Cetina, 112, TKO'ed Rayito de Izamal, 115, in ten.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Samuel "Sammy" Garcia, 145, whipped Gustavo Garcia, 148, in 10. "Canelo" Salinas, 125, lost by a TKO to Rafael Limon, in three. Jose Duarte, 144, TKO'ed Pedro Pena, 145, in 2. Fili Moreno, 124, TKO'ed Felix Trejo, 124, in 4. Hernan Cerda, 116, stopped Roberto "Indio" Toxtle, 117, in 3.

▲**Monterrey, Nuevo Leon** — "Cubanito" Hernandez, 117, TKO'ed Cruz Vega, 117, in 6.

▲**Guadalajara, Jalisco** — Jose Angel "Toro" Medina, 134, TKO'ed Jesus Aparicio, 135, in 8.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero** — Guillermo Bacerra, won by a technical decision from Teo Gonzalez, 119, in one.

▲**Tapachula, Chiapas** — Juan Manuel "Negro" Perez, 118, beat Panchito Calderon, 118, in 10. Rafael Varela, 117, outscored Joe Lainez, 118, in 10. Paco Mendoza, 118, TKO'ed Candido Sandoval, 118, in 8. Timoteo Gonzalez, 116, won by a disqualification over Javier Valdez, 115, in the opening round.

▲**Mexicali, Baja California** — Leoncio Ortiz, 135, decisioned Monroe Brooks, 134, of USA, in 10.

▲**Ciudad Acuna, Coahuila** — Super veteran Bernabe "Babe" Vazquez, 136, who has been fighting the last 26 years, nailed Juan Elizondo, 135, in tenth and last round.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Antonio Kiris, 118, bested Pedro Martinez, 119, in ten. Martin Valencia, 111, put Andres Garcia, 112, to sleep in the very first round. Arturo Merino, 125, TKO'ed Rosalio Vadillo, 126, in 4. Teo Polanco, 124, TKO'ed Abel Cordoba, 125, in 3. Humberto Cruz, 111, TKO'ed Ruben Mejia, 110, in 3.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California** — Arturo Vazquez, 117, kayoed Antonio "Zurdo" Fuentes, 116, in 8.

▲**Guadalajara** — Pedro Flores, 117, TKO'ed Francisco Javier Nunez, 117, in nine. Manuel Dominguez, 120, KO'ed Alejandro Agosto, 121, in 4.

▲**Acapulco, Guerrero** — Juan Pablo Oropeza, 136, TKO'ed Gaby Reynoso, 138, in six.

▲**Mexico, D.F.** — Clemente Mucino, 134, beat Lupe Ramirez, 134, in ten. "Tauro" Hernandez, 124, and Isidoro Salinas, 124, drew in 8. Tomas Gonzalez, 112, and Juan Granados, 111, drew in 6.

▲**Tijuana, Baja California** — Ernesto Caballero, 147, TKO'ed Jose Palacios, 146, in 5. Ruperto "Indio" Peraza, 134, kayoed Guillermo Montano, 134, in 5.

▲**Ciudad Obregon, Sonora** — Tomas Frias, 128, defeated Mario Servin, 131, in 10. Jose Nemesio, 124, KO'ed Manuel Bastidas, 124, in 9. Bastidas died four days later, due to a cerebral hemorrhage.

SEALES HITS SULLIVAN WITH STOPPER IN TWO

By JAMES JOHNSTON

Olympia, Wash. — Pro boxing returned to Olympia with promoter Inigo Lucchesi presenting an action-packed card to a crowd of 3,000 fans. In the feature undefeated "Sugar" Ray Seales of Tacoma stopped John L. Sullivan of Olympia in the second round.

Both boxers started at a fast pace with Seales landing the harder blows. In the second the rangy Tacoma belter floored John L. three times before referee Pat McMurtry stepped in and halted the fight.

In the semi Gary "Hobo" Wiler of Seattle stopped George Jerome of Winnipeg in the third round.

Wiler scaled 203 to 229 for Jerome. There was some good exchanges in the first two rounds with Wiler forcing the action and Jerome landing some good body blows. Jerome received cuts over the eye in the third which prompted referee McMurtry to stop the fight.

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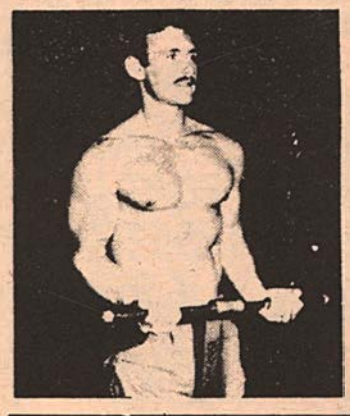

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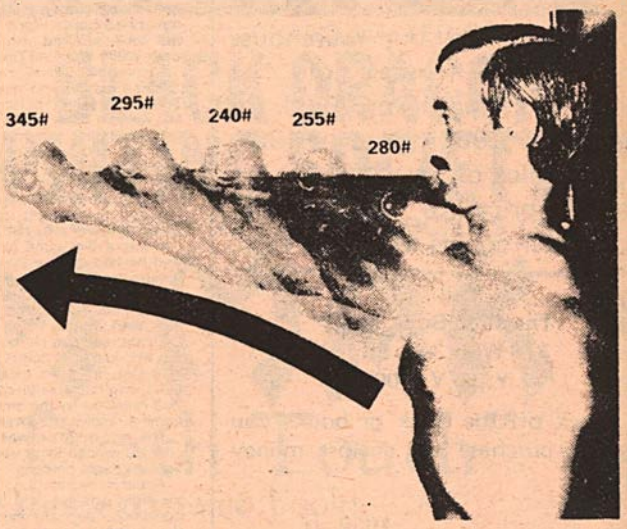

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LICATA AND LECLAIR WIN FEATURE FIGHTS AS CANADA RUNS INTO ACTION SPREE

By FRANK ALLNUTT

Toronto, Canada — In a fight card promoted by the Italian newspaper, Corriere Canadese, which featured five ten round bouts, Tony Licata (New Orleans) 160½ scored his 43rd. straight win by gaining a unanimous decision over Willie Warren (Texas) 162½.

In Warren, Licata met a real tough, durable well conditioned fighter who throughout the fight remained a threat. The aggressive, boring-in tactics of Warren, a powerful hooker with either hand prevented Licata from getting set to land any heavy punches.

At the midway mark of the fight, Licata appeared to be slightly ahead due to his fine left hand jabbing and his short crisp punches, Warren was showing little signs of slowing up and was always a danger with those powerhouse hooks. At the start of the sixth round Licata opened up with a combined attack of jabs and short rights to the head.

It was a big round for the New Orleans fighter and at the end he had cut the inside of Warren's mouth and gore was flowing freely. Round eight saw Licata abandon his boxing and start to slug it out with Warren, a hard right hook to Licata's head which caused his knees to buckle was a sure indication that the Texas fighter still had lots of power left.

Licata resumed his boxing and stayed out of range of Warren who just kept coming in. The final two rounds were fought at a fast clip, both men knew their job and referee Sammy Luftspring had little to do. The decision in favor of Licata was well received by the small number of fans on hand but both fighters received an ovation.

The real surprise was Willie Warren, a middleweight who only knows one thing which he does very well. . .he comes to fight and fight he does.

Armando Muniz (L.A.) 148½, had a tough time throughout his fight against Roy Barrientos (Texas) 143. Although a unanimous decision winner, Muniz was surprised at times in the manner in which the Texas fighter fought back when hurt. Although he had the advantage in weight, Muniz found it difficult to get close to Barrientos who was the taller of the two, by jabbing and moving in the first five rounds, Barrientos held his own with his powerful punching opponent. After a short fast flurry in round six, Muniz emerged with a cut over his right eye, he finished the round with caution and thus prevented any further damage.

Barely had the sound of the bell died away for the start of the seventh round, Muniz unloaded a powerful left hook on the chin of Barrientos who dropped in his tracks. At the eight count the Texas fighter had made it to his feet but was hurt and groggy, Muniz, a little over eager, failed to get another clean shot at his opponent who at the end of the round was fighting back gamely.

Still feeling the effects of Muniz's body blows, Barrientos ran into further trouble when he was cut over the left eye in round eight. Muniz was now in complete control and handing out some stiff punishment. Barrientos fought well in the final two rounds, he surprised both his opponent and the fans with a couple of flurries he put on but he did not have enough power left to halt the aggressive Muniz. From bell to bell a good action fight with referee Harry Davis handling the bout in fine style.

Tom Bethea (New York), 171, won a unanimous ten round decision over light punching Domenico Adinolfi (Italy) 179. With the advantage of height, weight and reach the Italian boxer failed to slow up Bethea who came on strong in the final four rounds to get the nod from all three officials.

In a heavyweight brawl scheduled for ten, Paul Nielson (Toronto), 208, swung like a screen door on one hinge in a wind storm in his efforts to drop Harold Carter (Cleveland), 180. Nielson managed to get Carter to his knees in the third round and wrestled him down for the second time. The bout which was void of any kind of action, was halted to the relief of the fans at 1:58 of the round.

Don Rucker (Buffalo), 173, and Lavern Martin (Toledo), 174, proceeded to throw heavy leather right from the initial bell, each one taking turns when the other slowed up. No way could this fight last the distance, at 2:37 of round five Rucker slumped to the canvas and retired claiming a damaged hand.

▲**Quebec**—1200 fans showed up for a card held at Point Gatineau, Montreal. Fighters featured on the card against very carefully selected opponents. Feature bout saw Donato Paduano (Montreal), 153, stop Jesus Alicia (Mass.), 150, in the seventh round. Paul Seguin (Montreal) stopped Roger Phillips (Mass.) at 2:40 of the third round in a middleweight mismatch. Lightweight Jose Martinez (Montreal) disposed of Charles Ketridge (Mass.) at 2:56 of the opening round and Angelo Milette (Montreal) did likewise when he dumped one Thomas Crane (Mass.) at 2:10 of the initial round.

They dug out Jean Marie Avena (Montreal), who was halted in three rounds by Bob Maloney who was making his pro debut. This kind of promotion and match-making Canadian boxing can well do without.

▲Montreal — When Montreal fight fans paid over $30,000 at the gate to see Jean Claude Leclair, the local boy, face Danny McAloon (New York) over eight rounds, the promoters had another winner on their books. Leclair, 160½, came through with a close unanimous decision, McAloon, 159, was taking part in his first fight in nine months.

It was in the second round that a hard right hand punch by Leclair which landed flush on the nost of his opponent turned the fight in favor of the Montreal boxer. The punch broke a blood vessel in McAloon's nose and despite frantic efforts by his cornermen they could not stop the flow of blood which hampered McAloon throughout the fight.

In the sixth round, Leclair was penalized two points for a low blow and referee Rosario Baillargeon gave McAloon a five minute rest. The final two rounds were fought at a fast clip, although caught at times with good right hand punches Leclair managed to stay out of trouble from his more experienced opponent who was putting on the pressure in a final spurt in an effort to snatch the decision. At the final bell the officials called it 37-36, 39-38 and 38-37 all in favor of Leclair.

As a meain event it was a pleasing fight which the fans appreciated by giving the fighters a rousing ovation at the conclusion.

The semi-final was a disaster. Paul Collette, the glamour boy from the Montreal area was to have met Larry Peterson (Miami) over eight rounds in a return match. Peterson reported sick. A replacement from Miami by the name of Jerry Powers turned out to be sicker than Peterson.

At 1:58 of the third round the referee stopped the fight and threw Powers out for not trying, a decision which was a relief to the fans. Had the record of Powers been checked previously the mismatch could have been avoided.

Jose Martinez (Montreal), 136, and Jim Henry (Montreal), 142, boxed a six round draw. Angelo Milette (Montreal), 154¾, won a split decision over Ray Rose (Montreal), 149½, after six rounds. Over the same distance, Serg Prouix (Montreal), 166¾, was out-classed and stopped at 2:05 of the third round by Roy McMillan (Toronto), 170½.

Canadian & Commonwealth welterweight champion Clyde Gray was to have headlined this card over ten rounds or less against Bobby Hughes (Bronx).

However, due to the ruling in the Montreal area that states no more than two foreign boxers are allowed on one card, Hughes was scrubbed as an opponent for Gray. Although the management of Gray was offered two or three other opponents as replacements they did not meet with approval so the match was dropped from the card.

▲**Quebec City** — Donato Paduano (Montreal) making his third start in the short space of twenty six days again had to travel the full ten rounds to gain a unanimous decision, over welterweight Marc Gervais (Quebec City). There were no knockdowns in the fight and so far since Paduano has returned to ring action his punches have appeared to have lost the sting and zip they once had.

▲**Toronto** — In a card which was predominated by amateur boxers, two six round bouts featuring pros took place. Dennis Cochrane (Toronto) had more than he could handle in a middleweight match with Burt Hayes (Cleveland).

Hayes, a pro with sixteen years experience dumped the Toronto boxer on the canvas in the initial round with a booming overhand right which he used throughout the fight with good effect. In the clinches and close fighting, Cochrane had his head snapped back time and time again like a yo-yo. The final round was the best round for Cochrane and it was on this showing that the officials handed him a somewhat unpopular decision. In a welterweight bout, Terry Summerhays (Brantford) lost a unanimous decision to Cecil King (Toronto).

▲**Toronto** — Danny Stokes (Toronto), won an eight round split decision over veteran Julie Mandell (Toronto) in a lightweight match.

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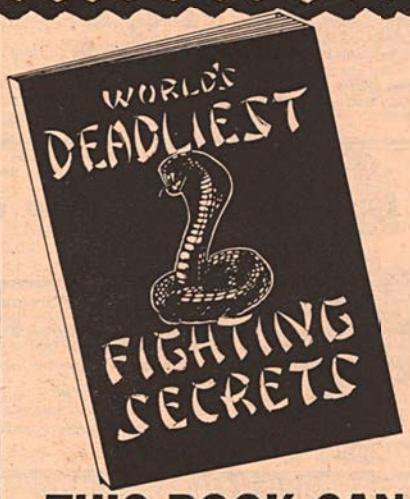

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Carmen de Patagones — Middleweight Carlos Robledo beat Rafael Lascano by TKO in fourth round.

▲**Salta** — Roque "Rocky" Roldan kayoed Jorge Moreno in 4th round. They are middles.

▲**Posadas (Misiones)** — No. 1 in the Argentine feather division, Ramon Gonzalez outpointed Santiago Lopez in 10.

▲**Mendoza** — In the light class Juan I. Vedia kayoed Martin Leiva in six.

▲**Salta** — Lightweight Oscar Tapia kayoed Juan Olivera in seventh round.

▲**San Juan** — Argentine champion in the light class Hugo Gutierrez kayoed Ramon Herrera in a non-title bout and in the heavy class Hugo Quinteros won over Miguel Silva by points in 3rd (medical decision).

▲**Resistencia** — In the light class Antonio Ross beat Carlos A. Rios in 10.

▲**San Justo** — Undefeated and good prospect in the welter junior class Daniel Gonzalez kayoed Manuel "Quique" Frias in 4th round and in the welter junior class undefeated Ceferino Morales kayoed Roberto Estrella in second round.

▲**Gualeguay** — Juan A. Merlo kayoed Eduardo Pereyra in 4th. They are junior welters.

▲**Corrientes** — In the light class Venancio Gonzalez kayoed Fernando Ocampo in seventh. Gonzalez won the local title.

▲**Cordoba** — In the bantam class Julio C. Saba and Felix Gonzalez drew in 10.

▲**Chacabuco** — In the welter division Vicente Martinez kayoed Juan Arevalo in second round.

▲**La Rioja** — Flyweight Roberto Urretaviscaya and Carlos Cordoba drew in 10.

▲**San Francisco** — Bantam Jose Casas, ex-Argentine champion, kayoed Rodolfo Calderolli in second round.

▲**Mendoza** — In the junior welter division Luis Contreras beat Mario Molina in 6.

▲**Plaza Huincul** — In the welter division Humberto Guzman and Benjamin Sosa drew in 10.

▲**General Paz** — In the feather class Carlos Martinetti won over Tomas Lima by points in 10 rounds.

▲**General Pico** — In the welter class Luis H. Cabral kayoed Manuel Casas in fourth round.

▲**General Roca** — Middleweight Roberto Ulloa beat Carlos Estrada in 10 and in the welter class Juan Moreno kayoed Gregorio Martinez in 4th.

▲**Tunuyan (Mendoza)** — Feather Tomas Aguero beat Antonio Figueroa in 10. In the light class Dioliver da Silva beat Domingo Panessi in 8 rounds.

▲**Buenos Aires** — Middleweight No. 1 and No. 2 in the Argentine, Rodolfo Rosales and Hugo Saavedra, in a hard bout won by Rosales on points in 10 rounds.

▲**Bahia Blanca** — For the Argentine feather title, Oscar "Cachin" Mendez, retained his crown after Domingo Casco was kayoed in 12 rounds and in the welter class, Oscar Morales outpointed Victor Vitadini in 6.

▲**Jesus Maris (Cordoba)** — In the light class Miguel Figueroa beat Angel Olea in 10 rounds.

▲**Villa Maria** — Oscar Barrios beat Gregorio Villavicencio in 6. The fight was stopped by a medical decision.

▲**Posadas** — In the light heavy class Roberto Aguilar beat Ruben Gonzalez by a medical decision in second round.

▲**Curuzu-Cuatia (Corrientes)** — In the bantam class Juan C. Rios won over Victor Centurion in 10 rounds.

▲**Cordoba** — Rodolfo Madriaga beat Julio Paletta in 10. They are junior welters.

▲**Rio Tercero (Cordoba)** — For the local welter title, Carlos Peralta beat Ramon Perez in 12 rounds.

▲**Zarate** — In the middle class, undefeated Camilo Gaitan kayoed Julio Sanchez in third round. Gaitan is a good prospect and hard puncher.

▲**Resistencia (Chaco)** — Lightweight Julio Jorge kayoed Americo Aquino. In the same weight class, Julio Alegre and Angel Diaz drew in 10.

▲**Corrientes** — In the feather division Ramon Benitez beat Marcos Urquiza in 10.

▲**San Juan** — In the junior lightweight class Juan Reyes and Julio Lopez drew in 8.

▲**Parana** — In the light heavy class Estelio Franco kayoed Antonio Flores in 4th round and in the light division Juan E. Fillippo beat Roberto Barrientos in six.

▲**Formosa** — In the bantam division Angel Zalazar kayoed Edgardo Insaurralde in first round.

▲**Concepcion** — Orlando Miranda beat Catalino Sosa in 10. They are junior middles.

▲**San Juan** — In the feather class Juan C. Vedia kayoed Ramon Caceres in 10.

▲**Cochabamba** — In the middle division Ricardo Merubia, from Bolivia, and Domingo Guerrero (Argentine) drew in 10.

▲**Salta** — In the light class, No. 2 in the Argentine ranking, beat Angel Roman by points in 10.

▲**Mar del Plata** — In the junior welter class Alberto Pili whipped Carlos A. Garcia in 10 rounds.

▲**Buenos Aires** — Argentine and South American junior light champion Victor Echegaray and Jorge Gomez, No. 1 in the light class drew in 10. (Non-title bout)

▲**Buenos Aires** — In the welter division Rogelio Zarza outpointed Miguel A. Fernandez in 10 rounds.

▲**Arroyito** — In the feather division Oscar Arganaraz and Tony Rivarol drew in 10 rounds.

▲**San Juan** — In the middle class Juan C. Artaza kayoed Angel Gusmaroli in 4th.

▲**Salta** — Argentine fly champion Juan J. Brizuela whipped Diego Varela Ramirez from Paraguay in 10 rounds.

▲**Resistencia** — Ramon Duarte kayoed Eduardo Sandoval in 8th. Lightweights.

▲**Santa Rosa (La Pampa)** — Argentine welter champion Miguel Angel Campanino kayoed Mario Delgado in 10th round. (Non title bout)

▲**Cosquin (Cordoba)** — In the junior light class Armando Bustos beat Alberto Rodriguez in six.

▲**Gualeguay** — Juan J. Noguera and Luis Ibarra drew in 8. They are feathers.

▲**Tres Arroyos** — In the light class Julio Rodriguez whipped Ramon Ojeda in 8th.

▲**Tandil** — In the junior welter division Ramon Tevez kayoed Luis Ibarra in five.

▲**Villaguay (Entre Rios)** — In the light class No. 2 in Argentine ranking beat Hector Uviedo in 10 rounds.

▲**General Acha** — In the welter class Juan R. Cabral kayoed Juan C. Quiroga in five rounds.

▲**Tunuyan (Mendoza)** — In the welter division Deoliver da Silva beat Abraham Valenzuela in 8th round and on the same night Pedro Bazan kayoed Angel Moyano in six rounds.

▲**Buenos Aires** — In the feather class undefeated Carlos Martinetti kayoed Antonio Figueroa in first round.

▲**San Pedro** — No. 2 in the fly division in the Argentine ranking Carlos Leyes beat Roberto Urretaviscaya in 10 rounds.

▲**Carmen de Patagones** — In the bantam class Miguel Lazarte whipped Manuel Munoz in 10.

▲**Cordoba** — Argentine bantam champion Benicio Sosa kayoed Hector Molina, from Chile, in seventh round.

▲**Posadas** — In the middle class Octavio Escauriza beat Carlos Reato in 10.

▲**Mendoza** — No. 1 in the feather division in Argentine ranking Ramon Gonzalez kayoed Tomas Aguero in seventh round.

▲**San Carlos de Bariloche** — Carlos Escalante, good prospect in the fly class, beat Gilberto Lopez, from Uruguay, in 10 rounds.

▲**Resistencia (Chaco)** — In the welter class Alejandro Caceres beat Carlos Taborda by disqualification in 4th round and in the junior light division Antonio Ross beat Ramon Moreyra in 10.

▲**Camilo Aldao** — In the junior welter division Pedro Colman kayoed Carlos Arroyo in fourth round.

▲**Zarate** — Miguel Aguila won over Marciano Tura in 10. Lightweights.

▲**Monte Maiz** — In the light division Jose Filippi outpointed Rafael Souza in 10.

▲**Bonifacio** — In the junior welter division undefeated Walter Gomez kayoed Carlos Quiroga in second round.

▲**Merlo** — Jose O. Pereyra beat David Pavon in 6 rounds. They are welters.

▲**Buenos Aires** — At the ring of the Club Unidos de Pompeya Jose Casas kayoed Juan C. Rios in seventh round. They are bantams.

▲**San Juan** — In the junior feather division J. V. Vedia kayoed Tito Morales in 5th.

▲**Posadas** — In the light class Juan Olivera kayoed Hugo Bidyeran in 7th.

▲**Cordoba** — Argentine lightweight champion Hugo Gutierrez and Miguel A. Coria drew in 10. (Non-title bout)

▲**Salta** — Middleweight Gianni Mingardi, Italy, beat Armando Vicente in 10 rounds.

▲**Mendoza** — In the middle class Manuel Gonzalez kayoed Ramon Pereyra in 4th and in the fly class Miguel Velez kayoed Raul Perez in seventh round.

▲**Resistencia** — Julio L. Jorge kayoed Evel Paredes in 4th. They are lightweights. In the light division Ramon Duarte kayoed Carlos Martinez in 10th round.

▲**Gayman** — Bantam Juan Malvarez and Ruben Granados drew in 8.

GARDNER, AT HIS PEAK, STOPS HARGROVE IN SECOND

By TOM RAY

Memphis, Tenn. — Before a standing room only crowd, Tony Gardner, 156, formerly of Memphis and now from Oklahoma City, scored the biggest win of his 26 bout career by halting veteran Joe Louis Hargrove, 160, Austin, Tex., in the second round of their scheduled ten-rounder.

The veteran Hargrove, a 2-1 favorite, got off to an early lead and peppered the face of his taller opponent with sharp left jabs. He crossed over with his right on several occasions and one time had Tony hurt.

But despite all the pressure, Gardner kept his cool and kept looking for the opening in which he would make Hargrove his 16th KO victim. Tony found it in the second. Hargrove started a roundhouse left hook to the head and before it landed Tony shot in a smashing right hand that sent Hargrove into dreamland. Hargrove never stirred as he was counted out.

In the supporting ten rounder, undefeated bantamweight James "El Tigre" Martinez, 119, Dallas, Tex., scored his thirteenth straight win with a fourth round knockout over game Genaro Morones, 122, of Mexico City.

Martinez, who is becoming more and more of a power puncher, took a few stiff shots from Morones in the first two rounds but sent in a sizzling combination to stop his foe at the two minute mark of the fourth.

Martinez is a highly-ranked bantamweight in these United States and a former two time national Golden Gloves champion.

"Irish" Sean O'Grady, Oklahoma City's Olympic hopeful, scored a second round knockout over Mid-South Amateur Champion Roy Dale. O'Grady, 118, used a savage right hand to finish Dale, 123, off at the thirty second mark of the round.

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CURTO DECISIONS VINALES TO MAKE IT 17 STRAIGHT

By HANK KAPLAN

Miami Beach, Fla. — In winning a unanimous decision over Luis Vinales, 165, Puerto Rico, at the Miami Beach Auditorium, fast-rising Vinnie Curto, 163½, Boston, notched his 17th straight as a pro. Curto dominated the action and edged out in each round of fighting. For five rounds, Vinales used a pawing left jab and a long right hand to keep Curto at safe distance. Curto got his combination blows after feinting Vinales into position threw some under his jab.

Vinales proved plainly defensive but after the fifth stanza, Curto abandoned the boxing skills he is famous for and pinned his opponent against the ropes setting up a barrage from close range. This pattern continued from the sixth round to the final bell with Curto on top of his opponent refusing to allow his get-away. 2,161 fans watched the ten round feature which turned out to be an easy victory for the exciting Bostonian.

Another Mendoza Group fighter, Marcel Clay, 164¾, Opa-Locka, stormed back after an uneasy two rounds and an angry looking cut over his left eye, to capture a unanimous decision over strong Nat King, 161, Doublas, Georgia.

The ten rounder drew the applause of the crowd as Clay came out for the third round to drop his hardy opponent. This appeared to turn the fight around for Clay and though King came back on repeated occasions, it was Marcel Clay who forged ahead persistently for the win.

In a scheduled sixer, Lawrence Hafey, 145, Nova Scotia, brother of Art Hafey, operating on the West Coast, landed his heavy arsenal on the mid-section of Henry Thomas, 145, Miami, to stop his determined opponent with a left hook in the 5th round.

In another sixer, Nelson Alfonso, 144½, Puerto Rico, was too active for Pete Linthorn, 145, Nova Scotia, as he pounded out a unanimous decision. Linthorn showed good punching ability and plenty of heart but Alfonso was too flashy for him.

In a scheduled four rounder, Ray Padron, 138, Tampa, demonstrated the punch of a middleweight as he put Manuel Gomez on the deck three times for the automatic win in the first round of fighting. At the outset, Gomez looked like the Tiger but the reversal came quickly.

▲As boxing's highly respected representatives, busy Angelo Dundee is hopping around some of the major boxing centers promoting the anticipated excitement the Joe Frazier-Jerry Quarry is expected to generate. Angelo was also invited by the Association of Ringside Physicians to contribute his knowledge on the duties and responsibilities of the cornerman for his boxer at the Third Annual Symposium related to the medical aspects of boxing.

Under the direction of City of Miami Recreation Supervisor, Dick Lee, six Miami boxers departed for competition at the National AAU championships at Knoxville, Tennessee. The six athletes were the most consistent winners at the City of Miami weekly amateur boxing show, several of whom were highly ranked in the national ratings. They were Juan Hidalgo, featherweight, Ritchie Lee Roberts, lightweight, Sammy Macias, light welterweight, Milton Bankston, welterweight, Woodie Clark, light heavyweight and Charles Cornett, heavyweight. Late word reveals that three of Miami's boxers, Ritchie Lee Roberts, Juan Hidalgo and Sammy Macias, all won their opening round contests with Milton Bankston the lone loser of four who competed on opening day.

Marcel Clay has been temporarily sidelined with a broken finger but will soon be ready to challenge John Pinney for the Florida State middleweight title in Tampa, Pinney's base of operation. . .Mike Koranicki, the Ohio heavyweight with a sock, is one of the more exciting prospects developed here in recent months. Lou Gross is overseeing the training and schooling chores of the big Ohioan. . .Preliminary kids who give everything they have each time out are Eladio Leal, Henry Thomas, Rickie Simaratana and O. T. Davies among many others who appear consistently on Miami Beach shows.

Making a big hit locally is Nani Marrero, lightweight body puncher from Santo Domingo who has gone undefeated in three local outings. . .Dr. Eddie Flynn, 1932 Olympic champion in the 147 pound division, was installed into the Florida State Sports Hall of Fame at the Doral Country Club in Miami.

▲Richie Riesgo, manager of Frankie Otero, refused to allow his fighter to continue as round 5 sounded after 4 previous rounds of fighting had taken place at the Miami Beach Auditorium. Riesgo claimed that round four, which saw Otero on the deck for the second time, was a 4 minute round. Supporting his observation was Dr. Ferdie Pacheco, who acted as a corner advisor to Otero, and referee Cy Gottfried who thought the round was longer than normal.

Numerous other observers throughout the arena registered the same feelings as Riesgo and Pacheco who acted to safeguard their charge by disallowing his emergence for round five. Riesgo requested a "No Contest" decision but the Miami Beach Boxing Commission at ringside ruled it a fifth round technical knockout at the hands of Jose Peterson, 135, San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Otero, who came in at 132½, boxing out of Hialeah, looked his classy self in the first two rounds. He continued to show a lot of speed and good footwork into the third round until 20 seconds before the bell when he was belted with a right uppercut and dropped.

As is usual for Otero, he arose fighting like a buzz-saw. In the fourth, Frankie came out the same way and was decked again. He beat the count and once more sailed after Peterson in non-stop fashion. He landed with several good hooks just before the bell sounded and returned to his corner with a cut eye. He appeared to be able to come out strong for the fifth round but this is when Riesgo voiced disapproval.

2,326 fans watched the contraversial ending at the Miami Beach Auditorium.

Undefeated Mike Koranicki, 194, Ohio banger, scored a fifth round TKO over John L. Johnson, 201, Tampa, in a wild swinging melee. Koranicki started out strong but began to tire in the fifth as Johnson pursued him. Things turned around soon for Koranicki as he planted a powerful right cross on the chin of Johnson, who was taking a barrage of blows on the ropes as the referee stopped the action, which was scheduled for ten rounds.

In a spirited 8 rounder, Pedro Diaz, 123¼, Santo Domingo, outscored Eladio Leal, 125¾, Miami. In a scheduled sixer, O. T. Davies, 196, Fort Lauderdale, knocked Virgil Gibson, 176, Daytona Beach, through the ropes for a third round knockout.

▲In a second heated affair at the Miami Beach Auditorium in as many weeks, Elisha Obed, 152, Nassau, Bahamas, shooting for his 49th consecutive victory, and Dario Hidalgo, 149, Santo Domingo, wound up in a majority draw verdict with the crowd evenly divided as they voiced other opinions.

Hidalgo was the cautious moving boxer, darting in and out of range of the pursuing Obed. Both fighters jabbed well but neither landed telling blows. Hidalgo connected occasionally with long rights to the head while Obed depended on a right uppercut and left hooks to the body of his constantly moving target.

Hidalgo fought with a style unlike his past performances here. His plan was to move on the pressing Obed who found few openings for his artillery. The Judges voted as follows: Judge Bob Eisenman saw a wide difference of 48-42 in favor of the Bahamian, while Referee Eddie Eckert and Judge Jim Ruby viewed the contest a stand-off at 46-46. It appeared a good draw.

In a scheduled 8 rounder, Nani Marrero, 133, Santo Domingo, took the fight out of Freddy Majors, 128½, Nassau, in round one after delivering several vicious body blows. Majors was decked, then tried to continue but received the same treatment from the powerful punching Marrero.

In another scheduled 8 rounder, Nelson Alfonso, 139, San Juan, punched his way to a third round TKO over Prince Jimmy Ham, 141, Jacksonville. Ham appeared vulnerable to body blows which Alfonso dished out liberally.

A six round contest saw Bob Angus, 150, New York, earn a six round decision over Randy Armstrong, 144¾, Miami, in a wild contest. Though Angus, based here now for schooling, missed most of the punches he threw, he was aggressor enough to bring in the votes. Angus landed the best punches but in intermittent fashion.

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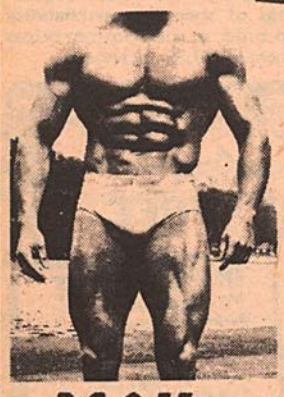

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CLARK WHIPS FOSTER IN CONVINCING 10-ROUNDER

By DON FRASER

OAKLAND—Henry Clark, who launched his pro career ten years ago, suddenly has developed into the East Bay's top attraction.

The 29-year-old, who over the years faced the likes of Sonny Liston, Ken Norton, Brian London and Zora Folley, danced and punched his way to a convincing 10-round decision over Mac Foster, 230, Fresno, at the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum.

The victory over Foster followed an earlier upset knockout over Jeff Merritt at the Coliseum.

Promoter Joe Gagliardi was more than satisfied with the 3100 turnout and the gate of $16,625. Clark weighed 220.

Kim Booker, 159, Oakland, knocked out Lalo Barriente, 157½, Mexico, in the first round of their scheduled ten.

King David Smith, 173, Oakland, decisioned Tommy Evans, 178½, San Francisco, (6); James Jackson, 174½, Oakland, decisioned Richard Shirden, 171, Oakland, (6).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – Hiroshima's Yosh Ogawa waged his customary nonstop battle against Nacho Castenada, 137, Tijuana, Mex., to gain a unanimous 10 round decision at the Olympic.

The tough Nipponese failed to floor his rival, but pressed the fight throughout to register his 36th win against seven losses.

Ogawa weighed 138 and there were 3000 on hand.

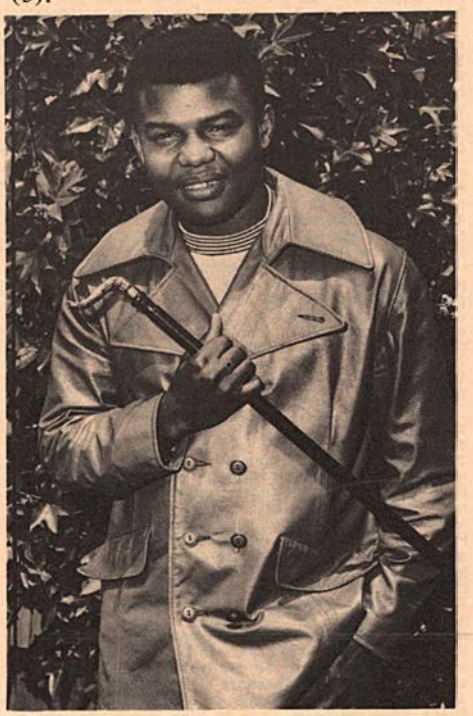
Ignacio Bravo, 126, Mexico, dec. over Oscar Armas, 125, Los Angeles, (6); Chuck Goodrum, 116½, Bell, dec. over Juan Lopez, 120, Los Angeles, (5); Juvencio Bernal, 139, East Los Angeles, KO over Alex Calderon, 142½, Mexico, (1).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – It was win No. 13 without a defeat for young Alberto Davila, 116 1/4, over Tanny Amancio, 117½, Manila, P.I., in the 10 round feature at the Olympic Auditorium.

Davila, a college student from the Pomona area, gave away height and experience to Amancio. But a pair of fast hands kept the Filipino at bay as Alberto won eight of the ten rounds.

Judge Bobby Rings scored it 7-0, judge Rudy Jordan, 6-2 and referee Chuck Hassett, 5-3.

Yosh Shikauchi, 123, Tokyo, dec. over Ray Thomas, 125, Los Angeles, (6); Fernando Gil, 139½, East Los Angeles, drew with Juvenico Bernal, 139, Mexico, (5); Carlos Estrada, 118½, Los Angeles, dec. over Gaspar Montejo, 120, Mexico, (5).



HENRY CLARK

▲**SAN DIEGO** – Thailand's Malaithong Sithkoon, 138, found the going rough in his US debut at the Coliseum. The Thai lightweight was stopped by Mike Mayon, 137, San Diego, in the fifth round of a scheduled ten.

Mayon, who is fast coming into his own as a lightweight to watch, gave Sithkoon a bad lacing, till the referee stopped the match, midway in the fifth round.

Randy Shields, 139½, North Hollywood, KO over Felix Jasso, 140, San Diego, (4); Felix Garcia, 128, National City, KO over Tommy Nava, 129, San Diego, (2); Raul Pacheco, 163, Los Angeles, KO over Bob Heverly, 158, San Diego, (3).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – Yosh Ogawa, 138, Hiroshima, acts more like a wrestler in the ring, then a fighter. He looks menacing at his opponents, struts around and delights the crowd with his antics.

Also, the rugged Japanese can fight.

He was impressive in knocking out Valentin Martinez, 135½, Mexico City, in the second round of their scheduled ten round main event at the Olympic Auditorium.

Martinez was down three times before Referee Larry Rozadilla stopped it just before the second round ended.

Carlos Palomino, 149½, Los Angeles, KO over Juan Garza, 150, Mexico, (2); Juan Morales, 136, East Los Angeles, KO over Jose Lujan, 136, Mexico, (3); Carlos Estrada, 118½, Los Angeles, dec. over Danny O'Campo, 120, Whittier, (4); Roy Holloway, 137½, Los Angeles, dec. over Costenito Rodriguez, 143, Mexico, (4).

▲**STOCKTON** – Indian Yaqui Lopez, 170, Stockton, is the new California light heavyweight champion. Lopez won a hard-fought 12-rounder from Hildo Silva, 171½, San Diego, before 3000 fans at Civic Auditorium.

The gate of $12,787 was the best in years for promoter Jack Cruz, whose son-in-law happens to be Yaqui Lopez.

Johnny Watson, 122½, Los Angeles, pulled off a mild upset by decisioning Sal Aguilar, 121, Manila, P.I., in a 10-rounder. This was Aguilar's first loss in the US, after winning five straight.

Fidel Fraijo, 126½, Mexico, decisioned Armando Mendieta, 126, Stockton, in a six rounder.

▲**EUREKA** – In the first pro show in recent years, Johnny Pinedo, 148, Stockton, halted Larry Stauffacher, 145½, Eureka, in the third round of their

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The fine young 16-year-old welterweight prospect from New England, Paul Porier, boxing out of New Bedford, Mass. . .a high school student, who was granted special permission to fight through an act of the Massachusetts State Legislature—could very well hang up the mittens by this fall. The word. . .not officially out—but well confirmed—is that Porier will be joining the Jehovah Witnesses—as his sister Priscilla did—and never climb through the ropes again.

Globe trotting Denny Moyer, a guy who never seems to grow old—picked up a check for $5,000 for boxing Battling La'Avassa in Auckland, New Zealand, recently. Moyer, is a guy who seems to mock age. Richie Gosha continues to ply his trade—and suffers continual losses—isn't it about time he quit??? Indian Yaqui Lopez, the California light heavy is back in action, after a stint "on the shelf" waiting for his nose to heal up. . .Ex-boxer Kevin Byrnes now is assistant manager at Miami Beach's Lincoln Theater. Roger Larivee, Montreal manager, now is booking boxers around the world. His new office is known as Olympic Boxing Agency in that city. . .Harold Mays, who was sparring partner for Gene Tunney before latter boxed Jack Dempsey in 1926, is dead —Mays boxed Jack Roper, Jim Braddock, and Tony Galento in his heyday. . .The late Jim Norris and Mike Jacobs, who ran their boxing shows without a flaw, are sure missed today. . .Mickey Davies, San Diego matchmaker, is being sought for the same chores in Cleveland. . .Mickey has been around the fight circuit for years—always does a top job. . .traveled with featherweight Jesse Underwood, who boxed as Dave "Sunny" Shade around New England rings right after WWII. . .Ken Norton was paid 30 grand for the Boone Kirkman fight in Seattle. . .which is fast becoming a top fight town on the beat. . .Former champ, Mando Ramos in a campaign to regain his California boxing license, is engaged in European bouts in Germany and Austria. . .It was Lena Levinsky who managed her brother King Levinsky of Chicago in the '30's. . .Ray Lunny III, Dave Kibbee, Jr., Roger Buckskin, Randy Shields, Jr., Kevin Morgan, Rudy Robles, Jr., Pete Vital, Jr., Al Guevera and Orlando de la Fuentes are all managed by their fathers. . .Remember when Jerry Quarry had papa Jack as his mentor, and faded from the heavyweight picture. The history of such past relationships reveals that no boxer handled by his father—or mother or sister—ever won a championship. Eder Jofre, former world bantamweight king, was trained by his father, the late Aristides Jofre, but managed by a neutral party—which is the best way. . .Tom Pawloski on the comeback trail—seven years ago this young white heavyweight was the rage of the railbirds on the west coast, then he got tangled up with hard drugs. . .now Pawloski is back—has graduated from the Therapeutic Community in Castro Valley, California—a 15 month 24 hour a day—rehabilitation clinic for hard core addicts. . .his mentor, Babe Figueroa, who turned down an offer of $10,000 for his fight contract, is hoping this is it. . .This game has come a long way since the first recorded fight, Cain vs Abel—Mike Hayes, who handles the public relations for the Denver Boxing Club, headed by fistic stars —Ron Lyle and Duane Bobick is doing his usual great job. . .sending out Ron Lyle T-shirts—to the boxing gentry. . .Former world light heavyweight king, Archie Moore back on the coast, after a tour of east coast cities and Eastern Canada on behalf of an anti-drug campaign. . .Mike (Caporale) Capp, who promoted boxing at Kezar Pavilion together with brother Joe who this corner wrote for in Referee Magazine for years—and Mario Spampinato, died recently at the age of 54 in San Francisco. . .Congratulations to Ed Dooley, who has been reappointed for another four-year term to the chairman post of the New York State Athletic Commission at $33,390 per. . ."Fat City" author Leonard Gardner, just completed an Esquire magazine piece on the Caracas mileau surrounding the George Foreman-Ken Norton fight. . .Vito Tallarita is doing the matchmaking for the Connecticut Sporting Club with shows at West Hartford, Conn., and he is getting a lot of his talent from the Connecticut State Prison in nearby Enfield. . .Bobby Guthridge is his latest top attraction from the "can". . .Fritzie Zivic, Jr., is doing a great job in the Nutmeg State, the son of former welterweight champ, owns a chain of restaurants called the Black Dog Taverns. . .they are located in Meriden, Suffield, Glastonbury, and Canton, Conn., and he is in the process of opening two more in the Hartford area. . .Sully Emette is enjoying running the Fifth Street Gym at Miami Beach for Angelo Dundee, who is getting Muhammad Ali ready for the "biggest one ever". . .Welterweights, Lawrence Hafey (brother of featherweight Art) and Pete Linthorne, out of New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, have been sent south by N.Y.C.'s fight manager Al Bachman, to earn and learn with top veteran fight trainer Lou Gross at Miami Beach. . .Howard Frazier, ex-manager of Johnny Bratton, is still hunting around for another fighter like Johnny—but these guys are mighty hard to come by. . .Undefeated young fistic product—Renato Garcia might end his boxing career—reason he doesn't want to remain under the management of Serjio Ojeda, his non-English speaking countryman with whom, among other things he differs politically—the Chilean revolution may have found its way to these shores!! Look for Tommy Butler, Phoenix, Arizona with the help of former welter champ, Tony DeMarco, to come up with some great boxing shows, if they team up, as they might in the Southwest. . .DeMarco is the proprietor of the Living Room Lounge in Scottsdale, since he left Boston many years ago. . .Lou Brouillard, former champ of the thirties, held both welter and middleweight titles—my drinking pal—and neighbor, inducted into boxing's Hall of Fame in Boston by Ring #4 of the Veteran Boxers Association. . .Congratulations to heavyweight Duane Bobick who took a bride—Barbara Kipnes, an art major at the Arizona State University met the ex-navy heavyweight via a good luck telephone call more than a year and a half ago. . . If Jack O'Halloran tossed as many punches in the gym and the ring, as he did at the Stone Fox Bar on El Cajon Blvd. in San Diego—he probably would be the champ today. . .Marguerite Kirkman is the attractive mother of Seattle heavyweight dreadnaught, Boone—who hopes someday —before it is too late to get another big money shot. . .Jim Romel is the promoter who has popped up in West Virginia fight circles for his top promotions in Weston and other cities in that state. . .The way to beat George Foreman, a fighter must stay close to him—bobbing and weaving like a Willie Joyce or Henry Armstrong used to fight. . .Muhammad Ali should learn that style right now. . .Dick Mastro, former Chicago fighter, is now writing boxing stories for papers on the west coast and doing a fine job of it. . .Mickey Walker is a very sick man—and anyone who wishes to send him a note or two to cheer him up should send it to: Charlie Gellman, Jewish Memorial Hospital. at 196th and Broadway, N.Y.C.—Willie Gilzenburg, the fight promoter and former manager of welter champ Freddie "Red" Cochrane, is doing his share, as are many more along the fight beat. . .Billy Moore, son of former king, Archie, signed with the Philadelphia Bell of the new World Football League. . .Al Bachman, New York manager, with know-how, keeps busy with his stable of boxers by keeping them busy all over the world. . .Al is the son of the late "dean of the old time fight manager," Frank E. Bachman. . .who handled three world champs, Bob Olin, Maxie Rosenbloom and Lew Jenkins. . .I mentioned the big Bob Pastor victory over the late Lem Franklin in a Cleveland ring years ago—but the important thing I forgot to mention was, it was old pal, Lou Gross, who worked with Pastor and helped him put that win together. . .It is time now for Lou Viscusi's tiger, Tony Licata, to get a shot at a world title. . .I like Tony's chances. . .and he's a nice boy to boot. . .Larry Amadee, Chicago fight trainer, is now on the mend after a bad stroke. . .Heavyweight champ, George Foreman, really digs banana splits—with the works on them. . .a good way to watch your weight, George—go up, I mean!! Frankie Jacobs' old fighter, Victor Corchado, has been sworn in as a boxing inspector by chairman Eddie Dooley of the N.Y. State Athletic Commission. . .Good to see John Sties, Chris Dundee's glove man at the Miami Beach Auditorium shows, back in action after his recent hospitalization. . .Tommy Farmer, former manager of bantmaweight champion, Manuel Ortiz, is still relaxing somewhat in Los Angeles. . .Federal Judge John Sirica, of Watergate renown, quit the boxing game because his mother wanted him "out". . .Mickey Farr, formerly assistant matchmaker for Chicago Stadium, when they staged some real big ones there, is 72 years young and living in Los Angeles. . .John Henry Lewis, former light-heavyweight champion, boxed for three years with one eye—now passed away in Berkeley, Calif., at the age of 59—much too young. . .The veteran boxing crowd in N.Y.C. misses Lou Stillman Gym—are now crowding into Bobby Gleason's—Gary, Indiana is back on the boxing beat after years away from it, with the new promoter being a nice gent, named Bill West. . .last two pugilists who came out of Gary were Tony Zale and Willie Joyce. . .Andy Smith, Jr. paused at Miami Beach before planing for London and home—his father manages British heavyweight socker, Joe Bugner. . .See you next month—keep punching!!

EMPEROR HARRIS PUTS VENTURA OUT IN 9, TKO

By JIM LEO

Scranton, Pa. — Charley "Emperor" Harris, 211, Baltimore, recorded a ninth round TKO over Tony Ventura, 208, Buffalo. Both battlers engaged in a dock brawl.

The Emperor opened some nasty cuts on Ventura. Referee Neil Miller allowed Ventura to come out for the ninth round, but called a halt after 47 seconds, with blood flowing from Tony's badly cut right eye.

For Harris, it was a good win and his fourth in six Scranton appearances. Only Tommy Kost, holds wins in Scranton over Harris. Ventura, had been an earlier Binghamton winner over Kost.

Larry Holmes, 199, Easton, Pa.'s undefeated heavyweight was a seventh round TKO winner over Bob Mashburn, 215, New York. Holmes dropped Mashburn in the seventh, and when Bob arose, Holmes continued the barrage. Referee Joe Salci called a halt after 2:38 of the round. The bout was scheduled for eight rounds.

Ray Elson, 175, New York, unbeaten in nine bouts, knocked out substitute James Marcus, 177, Trinidad, after only forty seconds of the opening round.

Mike Rossman, 160, Turnersville, N.J., ran his unbeaten streak to 13 by stopping Walter Riley, 155, New York, in the opening round. Rossman dropped his foe after 90 seconds, with a short right hand to the jaw. Riley struggled to his feet, but Referee Salci halted action for the groggy New Yorker.

▲**Syracuse, N.Y.** — Carmen Basilio and Norm Rothschild got together again and staged a Cavalcade of Champions show benifiting the Heart Fund.

Many great names appeared and squared off in three rounders, one minute each round. Dernie Durando squared off against Paul Pender in the opener, followed by Joey Giardello, Billy Graham, Ike Williams, Willie Pep, Chico Vejar and Chuck Davey. Jake LaMotta facing Freddie Russo, Carmen Basilio facing his nephew Billy Backus, and an exhibition by local light heavyweights, Hal Carroll and Willie Wilson.

Referees including Jersey Joe Wolcott, Petey Scalzo, Nick Barone, Cliff Hart and Pat Manzi.

▲Winners of the recently completed Niagara District Senior Tournament at Syracuse, a two day event, were:

112 novice - Dayton Richardson, 119 novice - Jeff Lovett, 132 novice - Leroy Harris, 139 novice - George Haygood, 147 novice - Stanley Jackson, 156 novice - Frank Duck, 165 novice - Paul Victory, 178 novice - Billy Williams, Hwt. novice Theodis Kinsey, 112 open - James Harris, 125 open - Dan Rozelle, 132 open - Lloyd Weigel, 139 open - Rocky Fratto, 156 open - Bobby Harrison, 165 open - Leo Richardson.

Lloyd Weigel was awarded the Frank Barry Memorial Award as outstanding boxer.

CONTEH HALTS CHRIS FINNEGAN

By RON OLVER

LONDON, England – The eagerly-awaited return between European, British and Commonwealth light heavyweight champion John Conteh, Liverpool, 175, and former triple champion Chris Finnegan, Iver, 174, ended in a sixth-round stoppage. But Finnegan fans were convinced that their man could still have won had the fight been allowed to continue.

What happened was this. Finnegan came out of a close-quarter exchange with blood pouring down his face, which he himself said afterwards that he thought was coming from a cut eye.

Referee Roland Dakin then stepped between them, and stopped the fight.

When Finnegan's cornermen had had time to wipe away the gore they found the cut was in fact on his head, inches above his right ear. They then claimed that this was an injury that could have been kept under control in the corner and that in their opinion the fight should not have been stopped.

The injury in fact required four stitches, and was about two inches long. Finnegan was also cut over the left eye, which was described by his cornermen as "just a nick."

Also, Finnegan's mentors claimed that Conteh should have been censured severely for continuing to punch away after the bell ended the fifth round. Conteh said afterwards he had not heard the bell.

It is true that at that time the fans were making a great deal of noise. I would support a suggestion by M.C. Nat Basso, who said that to prevent anything like this happening again, the bell at all tournaments should be wired all around the ring, so that it could be heard clearly from any vantage point.

So much for the controversial ending. Now, what about the actual fight.

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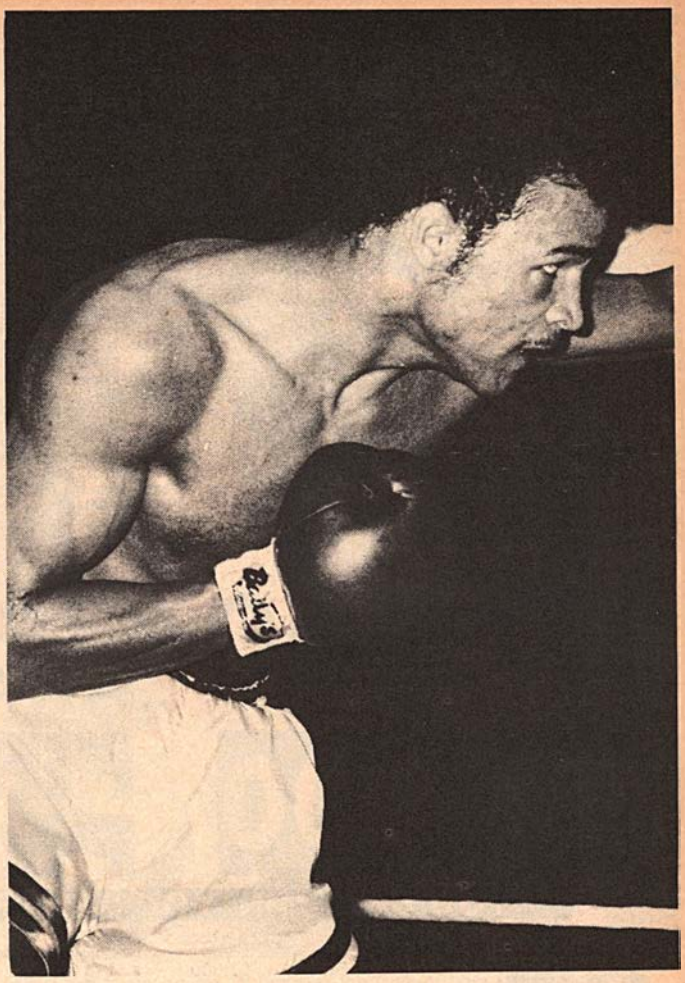

JOHN CONTEH

BRITISH COMMONWEALTH RATINGS

(As of July 15, 1974)

HEAVYWEIGHT
Champion
Danny McAlinden (I)

1. Joe Bugner (E)
2. George Chuvalo (C)
3. Bunny Johnson (J)
4. Richard Dunn (E)
5. Billy Aird (E)
6. Les Stevens (E)
7. Rocky Campbell (Ant.)
8. Wendell Newton (B)
9. Fonomanu Sekona (Fiji)
10. Mani Vaka (T)

CRUISERWEIGHT
Champion
John Conteh (E)

1. Chris Finnegan (E)
2. Maxie Smith (E)
3. Roy John (W)
4. Pat McCann (E)
5. Johnny Frankham (E)
6. Gary Summerhays (C)
7. Ronnie Wilson (C)
8. Baby Boy Rolle (B)
9. Greg McNamara (A)
10. Steve Cansdell (A)

MIDDLEWEIGHT
Champion
Tony Mundine (A)

1. Kevin Finnegan (E)
2. Bunny Sterling (J)
3. Battling Laavassa (Samoa)
4. Alan Minter (E)
5. Alipate Korovou (T)
6. Monty Bentham (NZ)
7. Ray McGrady (A)
8. Fred Etuati (Samoa)
9. William White (Samoa)
10. Dave Downey (C)

LIGHT MIDDLEWEIGHT
Champion
Charkey Ramon (A)

1. Nojim Maiyegun (N)
2. Larry Paul (E)
3. Carlos Marks (T)
4. Donato Paduano (C)
5. Pongi Lie (T)
6. Si Nomura (Samoa)
7. Matt Donovan (Tr)
8. Kevin White (E)
9. Tom Imrie (S)
10. Maurice Hope (Ant.)

WELTERWEIGHT
Champion
Clyde Gray (C)

1. John H. Stracey (E)
2. Elisha Obed (B)
3. Eddie Blay (G)
4. Marshall Butler (C)
5. Bunny Grant (J)
6. Fernand Marcotte (C)
7. Rocky Mattioli (A)
8. Peter Cobblah (G)
9. Alan Tottoh (E)
10. Wayne Bannister (A)

LIGHT WELTERWEIGHT
Champion
Hector Thompson (A)

1. Ali Afakasi (NZ)
2. Pat McCormack (I)
3. Des Morrison (J)
4. Eric Briggs (NZ)
5. Johnny Summerhays (C)
6. Wally Carr (A)
7. Jim Melrose (S)
8. Matt Ropis (A)
9. Joey Singleton (E)
10. Leo Young (A)

LIGHTWEIGHT
Champion
Percy Hayles (J)

1. Ken Buchanan (J)
2. Manny Santos (NZ)
3. Jim Watt (S)
4. Jonathan Dele (N)
5. Colin Cassidy (A)
6. Andy Broome (A)
7. Billy Waith (W)
8. Alan Buchanan (S)
9. Milton Cooper (A)
10. Saoul Mamby (Tr)

FEATHERWEIGHT
Champion
Evan Armstrong (S)

1. Art Hafey (C)
2. Bobby Dunne (A)
3. Toro George (NZ)
4. David Poison (G)
5. Love Allotey (G)
6. Jimmy Bell (S)
7. Jimmy Revie (E)
8. Bingo Crooks (J)
9. Alan Richardson (E)
10. Vernon Sollas (S)

BANTAMWEIGHT
Champion
Paul Ferreri (A)

1. Johnny Clark (E)
2. Paddy Maguire (I)
3. Dave Needham (E)
4. Sulley Shittu (G)
5. Guinea Hillier (A)
6. George Turpin (E)
7. John Mitchell (S)
8. John Kellie (S)
9. Brian Clout (A)
10. Fred Burns (A)

FLYWEIGHT
Champion
Big Jim West (A)

1. Henry Nissen (A)
2. John McCluskey (S)
3. Brian Roberts (A)
4. David Natta (Zambia)

Legend: An Antigua, A Australia; B Bahamas; C Canada; E England; Fi Fiji Islands; G Ghana; Gu Guyana; In India; I Ireland; J Jamaica; M Malta; N Nigeria; Nz New Zealand; S Scotland; T Trinidad; To Tonga; W Wales; BH British Honduras; Z Zambia.

LICATA STOPS JACKSON AS HOUSTON WAKES UP

By HARLAN HAAS

The lights have been turned on again in Houston to professional boxing, big time professional boxing that is. Pete Ashlock, the former rodeo cowboy from Decatur, Texas, who has made it big in the business world and who promotes in such cities as Orlando, Albuquerque and now Houston — is the new owner of Texas Boxing Enterprises.

He got things started on April 23rd, and his operations include six shows to be held in the Houston Music Theater which seats 2,881 and the mini-dome theatre affords one of the most fantastic views for boxing the writer has seen in his years of knocking around the beak bashing row.

▲**Houston Music Theater** — Tony Licata, the brilliant boxing middleweight from New Orleans, had things pretty much his way in stopping courageous Cuby (Top Cat) Jackson of Detroit in seven rounds. Licata showed a razor sharp left hand and a willingness to fight. Jackson gave it a good try but was bleeding around the eyes and the left eye was closed tighter than a drum. At this point the bout was halted. Licata weighed 158-½ and Jackson 158.

In a wild battle, Melvin Dennis, 147, Houston, edged Roy Barrientes, 147, Ft. Worth, over the 10-round distance. It was a scorcher from start to finish. Some thought Barrientes had the edge. It was that close. The crowd roared It was that close. The crowd roared their approval of this one.

Johnny Boudreaux, 198, Houston, won an unpopular 10-round decision over the more experienced Oliver Wright, 198, Jamaica. Boudreaux a tall 6-2-½ with but seven pro fights behind him (all wins) was engaging in his first 10 round battle. He got an eye cut early in the bout, but good patchwork by veteran cornerman Billy DeFoe steered him away from trouble. He, understandably, paced himself a bit too much midway in the fight but came on fast and by the tenth he was turning it on and could've gone another five easily. The decision in favor of the local heavy wasn't greeted with approval, but the 21-year old Boudreaux showed class to the hard hitting visitor.

Jorge Rodriguez, 142, San Diego and Mexico, stopped Manuel Torres, 147, Houston and Mexico, in the sixth round. Rodriguez has been in with the likes of Antonio Cervantes, Quincy Daniels, and many others.

▲ — In another Houston Music Theatre, show Tony Licata returned two weeks after his victory over Top Cat Jackson. This time he faced young Irish Mike Baker of Washington, D.C. Not many knew Baker, rated #9 in the U.S. middleweight class by The Ring, but they did by the time the fight was over. Licata won the unanimous 10-round decision but Baker made it interesting by refusing to give up and in superb physical condition he kept the fight enjoyable by getting home some good punches of his own including a snappy right uppercut that found the mark on a number of occasions.

Licata, as in his first appearance against Jackson showed a fine assortment of punches and super quickness. The crowd stood up and applauded this one and tossed money into the ring to show their whole hearted approval. Licata weighed 158, Baker 156.

Oliver Wright, 198 Jamaica, returned and this time went away in a happier frame of mind as he kayoed Lloyd Price, 202, Phoenix, in round two with a powerful right hand to the heart.

Lonnie Bennett, 175, Los Angeles, was awesome in his local debut as he knocked out Frankie Evans, 175, Beaumont, in the first round. Evans, a tall boxer type, was stretched for the count and received a broken jaw for his efforts.

Augie Gomez, 147, Houston, won a torrid eight rounder from Jorge Rodriguez, 142, San Diego. Gomez formerly boxed out of Corpus Christi.

▲ — **Once more in Houston Music Theater,** Mike Quarry won as he pleased from journeyman Karl Zurheide of Milwaukee in a 10-round fight that drew 2,341 paying customers. The likeable young brother of heavyweight contender Jerry Quarry showed a crowd pleasing style, and the slower moving Wisconsin native was never able to score effectively. Quarry weighed 175, Zurheide 174½

Lonnie Bennett, 175, Los Angeles, had difficulty catching up with quick but awkward Bruce Scott, 175, Dallas. Bennett was menacing as he stalked the fleet footed Scott, and brought his heavy artillery into play in the seventh. Scott, who was tiring, was beginning to take considerable punishment and it was only a matter of time before the end when the ref wisely halted the contest.

Johnny (The Mad) Baldwin, a bit pudgy at 166, Houston by way of Detroit, returned to ring warfare after an absence of 18 months (he trounced Roy Dale in November of 1972 in his last outing) and after some heavy exchanges he deposited lanky Don Melancon, 160, Chicago, for the full count — you could've counted to fifty.

In one of the most exciting fights seen locally in years two stocky, rock fisted heavyweights battled it out tooth and nail for 10 action packed rounds. James Helwig, 195, Dallas, won an extremely close decision from Larry Renault, Tampa and Canada, the met with a chorous of boos.

Many thought the mustachioed Canadian the rightful winner, but it was that close. These two engaged in as wild and savage a brawl as you can imagine — a rockem-sockem, you hit me and I'll hit you type of thing. The bombs were out of the pockets and at the final bell they were still trying to get at one another. What a rematch.

The man who could be packing them into arenas before long in this area made his pro debut in the curtain raising four rounder. His name is Maurice (Termite) Watkins and he was the 1973 National Golden Glove featherweight champ at the age of 16.

He won 110 of 120 amateur fights. He turned pro this night at the age of 17 (he'll be 18 by the time this appears in print) and he wasted little time in belting out Cesar Cortez of Houston in the opening round.

▲ — **This show too at the Theatre,** looking much better in his second 10-round start the 21-year old Johnny Boudreaux of Houston won practically every round from well-known Dallas heavyweight Terry Daniels. The smaller Daniels bled profusely from the nose towards the end of the fight and mouth as he took what seemed to be a jillion left jabs. Boudreaux was really turning it on, and his paint brush left will cause a lot of trouble among the big fellows in the months to come. Boudreaux, the tireless worker who could just go on and on, weighed a trim 198 to 188 for Daniels.

Irish Mike Baker and his manager, the crafty Chris Cline, returned by popular demand to face John Pinney who was ill with strep throat at the weigh-in and unable to fight.

Fidel Gonzalez of Dallas was brought in at the last minute. The overweight sub tried but was cut up by the fast punching Baker who was declared the winner in the Fourth when Gonzalez was bleeding badly from cuts around the eyes and nose. Baker was 157, Gonzalez 165.

Frank (Little Smokey) Young, 147, stopped Gabriel (Gaby) Estrada, 147, San Antonio, in the third round of a brawl. Young always manages to hook up in a thriller and it was no different this night. Estrada finally went down from a barrage of punches. Maurice (Termite) Watkins, 135, Houston, stepped up into a bit better competition as he faced Lupe Cantu, 135, Houston, in a scheduled eight rounder. Watkins moved to the attack at the opening bell, and never let up. Cantu was finally beaten into submission in three rounds. Cantu had beaten Rocky Ramon and made good fightswith Brooks Byrd, Hector Pina and others but met a hard hitting never let up kind of battler in the youngster they call Termite.

Jodie Ballard, 200, Houston, stopped towering Ernie Smith, 208, Dallas, in the fourth round of a free swinging bralw that nearly got out of hand. Both young heavies came and swinging and never let up — they resorted to the rough-house stuff in their anxiety to get at one another. The crowd loved it.

▲ — **At Houston Coliseum,** Bonnie Todd, one of the country's few women promoters, brought in Windmill "Ray" White of Los Angeles to face Randy Miller of Las Vegas in the spacious 10,000 plus seat Coliseum. The tree top tall White, who began his pro career around Monroe, Louisiana, used his whole bag of fistic tricks to baffle and out fox Miller who was a willing but slightly startled opponent — he never knew where the Windmill's next punch was coming from. White had his hand lofted in token of victory in the ninth round with the bleeding Miller unable to continue. White scaled 173 pounds, Miller came in at 169.

Brooks Byrd, 136, Houston, continued his winning ways by stopping Tony Garza, 140, Corpus Christi, in the sixth round.

Melvin Johnson, 112, Houston, and aggressive little Jorge Padron, 110, Monterrey, Mexico, put on a crowd pleasing 10-round scrap with the clever Johnson getting the nod.

Gustavo (Gus) Rodriguez, 145, Monterrey, stopped Joe Baez, 142, Corpus Christi, in the fifth. In a girl's four round bout, Diane Tardon, Houston, hammered out a four round decision over Gay James, Houston, to win the Texas women's amateur championship.

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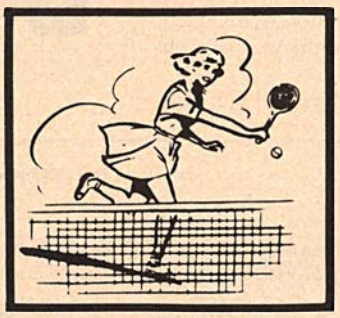

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Conteh Seen As Foster Threat

By J. A. TREE

BERLIN, Germany – After the poor showing of Bob Foster in his disputed draw with Jorge Ahumada, Europe believes that the time is near for it to seize the world light heavyweight championship, with Briton John Conteh the new titleholder.

Conteh is young and strong and Foster may have run to the end of the line.

With Conteh the light heavy champion of Europe, Britain has no fewer than six European titles in its possession, the greatest showing of such distinction in the history of organized boxing.

It had been thought that Europe was, as yet, too presumptuous in aspiring to Foster's title. But Bob's showing against Ahumada was so utterly bad that Conteh now is believed to stand out as a formidable contender.

With Ken Buchanan, Kevin Finnegan and John H. Stracey all winning European titles during the month, Britain now rules most of the 11 divisions in Europe. For the French boxers, the past few weeks have been disastrous with Jean Claude Bouttier, Roger Menetrey and Jacques Kechichian all losing their European crowns.

Buchanan travelled to Sardinia and thrashed European lightweight champion Antonio Puddu, the fight being stopped by German referee Kurt Halbach in the sixth.

Kevin Finnegan and John H. Stracey challenged French European champions Bouttier, middleweight, and Menetrey, welterweight, meeting them in Paris. What's more, they created major upsets with both winning. Finnegan won on points and Stracey stopped Menetrey in frame eight.

Heavyweight champion of Europe Joe Bugner, of Britain, made a successful defense against Italian Mario Baruzzi, the fight being brought to a close in round 10. The bout took place on neutral ground, being staged in Copenhagen, the first contest of its kind in the capital. It was a co-promotion between Mike Barrett, Britain, and Danish promoter Mogens Palle.

On the home front, Conteh apparently made sure of a world title fight with Foster, by making a successful defense of his European light heavyweight title, beating fellow Britain Chris Finnegan. Referee, Roland Dakin, called a halt with two and a half minutes gone of round six.

Boxing in France suffered another setback when the third champion lost his crown. Kechichian, junior middleweight, accepted a generous purse to make a defense against Jose Duran, Spain. Eight thousand saw the battle in Madrid and celebrated a narrow points win by their local matador over 15 frames.

Britain's European champions are Bugner, heavyweight; Conteh, light heavyweight; Finnegan, middleweight; Stracey, welterweight; Buchanan, lightweight; and Johnny Clark, bantamweight, an all-time record.

One has to turn the pages back to 1947 to find anything to

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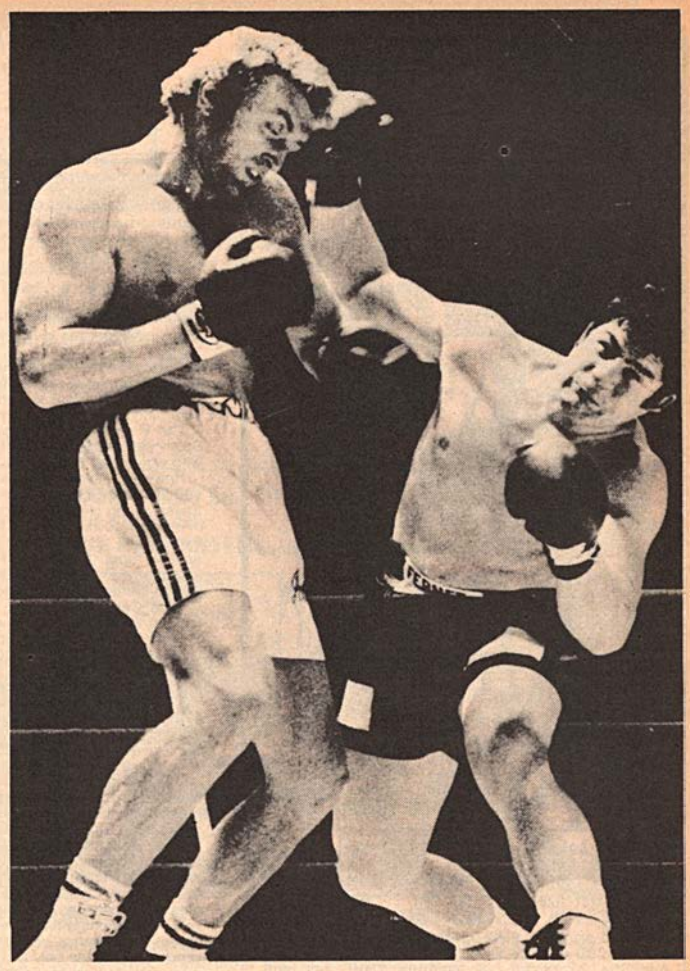

European heavyweight champion Joe Bugner tries to evade a right thrown by challenger Mario Baruzzi during their title contest in Copenhagen. The fight was halted in the 10th with Bugner the victor.

EUROPEAN RATINGS

(As of July 15th 1974)

Heavyweights
* Joe Bugner (GB)
1. Jose Urtain (S)
2. Bepi Ros (I)
3. Mario Baruzzi (I)
4. Rudi Lubbers (H)
5. Bernd August (G)
6. Hartmut Sasse (G)
7. Dante Cane (I)
8. Freddy Dekerpel (B)
9. Jan Lubbers (H)
10. Casimiro Martinez (S)

Light Heavies
* John Conteh (GB)
1. Karl Heinz Klein (G)
2. Rudiger Schmidtke (G)
3. Tom Bogs (D)
4. Conny Velensek (G)
5. Aldo Traversaro (I)
6. Domenico Adinolfi (I)
7. Lothar Stengel (G)
8. Leo Kakolewiez (G)
9. Erik Nussbaum (Switz)
10. Sergio Janilli (I)

Middleweights
* Kevin Finnegan (GB)
1. Jean Claude Bouttier (F)
2. Gratien Tonna (F)
3. Elio Calcabrini (I)
4. Fabio Bettini (F)
5. Mario Almanzo (I)
6. Luciano Serti (I)
7. Franz Czandl (A)
8. Poaul Knudsen (D)
9. Germano Valsecchi (I)
10. Sauro Sprani (I)

Junior Middles
* Jose Duran (S)
1. Jacques Kechichian (F)
2. Eckhard Dagge (G)
3. Johann Orsolics (A)
4. Fighting Mack (H)
5. Jean Claude Warusfel (F)
6. Domenico Tiberia (I)
7. Antonio Castellini (I)
8. Aldo Bentini (I)
9. Alberto Torri (I)
10. Peter Scheibner (G)

Welterweights
* John H. Stracey (GB)
1. Roger Menetrey (F)
2. Domenico DiLorio (I)
3. Jacques van Mellaerts (F)
4. Max Heibesen (Switz)
5. Mario Scano (I)
6. Giuliano Nervino (I)
7. Mimoun Mohatara (S)
8. Germain Lemaitre (F)
9. Gonzalez Dopico (S)
10. Georges Perrot (F)

Junior Welters
* Tony Ortiz (S)
1. Bruno Arcari (I)
2. Roger Zami (F)
3. Cemal Kamaci (T)
4. Jorgen Hansen (D)
5. Piero Ceru (I)
6. Tommaso Marocco (I)
7. Ernesto Bergamesco (I)
8. Bernard Creto (F)
9. Giorgio Braconi (I)
10. Fernado Sanchez (S)

Lightweights
* Ken Buchanan (GB)
1. Antonio Puddu (I)
2. Ugo Di Pietro (I)
3. Nedo Fabbri (I)
4. Leonard Tavarez (F)
5. Efisio Pinna (I)
6. Dominque Azzaro (F)
7. Perico Fernandez (S)
8. Enzo Pizzoni (I)
9. Manuel Calvo (S)
10. Giuseppe Carbonara (I)

Junior Lights
* Sven Erik Paulsen (N)
1. Lothar Abend (G)
2. Ugo Polo (I)
3. Jean Piedvache (F)
4. Erkki Nikkinen (Fin)
5. Giovanni Girgenti (I)
6. Mario Redi (I)
7. Miguel Molleda (S)
8. Domingo Jimminez (S)
9. Felix Brami (F)
10. Mario Sanna (I)

Featherweights
* Gitano Jiminez (S)
1. Elio Cotena (I)
2. Tony Sassarini (I)
3. Enzo Farinelli (I)
4. Bruno Pieracci (I)
5. Daniel Vermandere (F)
6. Michel Siracusa (I)
7. Ramiro Suarez (S)
8. Ramiro Marichal (S)
9. Rodolfo Garcia (S)
10. Nino Jiminez (S)

Bantamweights
* Johnny Clark (GB)
1. Salvatore Fabrizio (I)
2. Franco Zurlo (I)
3. Guy Caudron (F)
4. Bob Allotey (S)
5. Ambrogio Mariani (I)
6. Jacky Bihin (F)
7. Ferdinando Ripamonti (I)
8. Antonio Zenza (S)
9. Jose Luis Ottero (S)
10. Luigi Tessarini (I)

Flyweights
* Fritz Chervet (Switz)
1. Fernando Atzori (I)
2. Emilio Pireddu (I)
3. Franco Sperati (I)
4. Dino Contemori (I)
5. Mariano Garcia (S)
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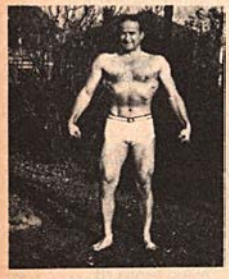

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AUSSIE MIXUP RUINS BIG MONEY MATCHES FOR COMMONWEALTH STARS

By RAY MITCHELL

Sydney, Australia — Australian and Commonwealth junior middleweight champion Charkey Ramon, and Australian light heavyweight champion Steve Cansdell took fights on successive nights and ruined a promotion that would have gained Cansdell his all-time high purse. Quite an intriguing story.

It started a few weeks ago when a group of businessmen in Newcastle signed both Ramon and Cansdell to box each other for Steve's title, and that in itself presented a unique situation, for if Ramon won, he and Tony Mundine would have shared the four top division Australian titles—in alternate divisions!

Mundine holds the heavyweight and middleweight crowns. Ramon is the junior middle champ, and if he beat Cansdell—which I'm sure he would—then he would hold the light heavy and junior middle titles.

The Ramon-Cansdell match was set for May 21 at the South Newcastle Club before a dining and wining audience who would pay $20 per head.

However, several days before the proposed match Ramon told the promoters he had a cut eye, which was suffered in a training spar. He asked for a postponement of two weeks.

Despite advice that the Newcastle promoters should insist that Ramon fulfill his contract with them before engaging in another bout, the promoters allowed the Brisbane bout to take place. Probably they reasoned that as the Brisbane fight was to be televised, it would assist their gate.

Then Cansdell, irked at the situation, demanded that he, too, be allowed to take a warm-up fight. The promoters had to allow him to do this, in order to be consistent.

So Steve got himself a match with his leading contender Steve Aczel at Blacktown R.S.L. Club, the fight set for one night earlier than Charkey's Brisbane contest. The Cansdell-Aczel bout took place—and down went the Titanic! Aczel, 172½, swamped Cansdell, 175, to cause referee Jimmy Carruthers to stop the fight in the 8th round and crown contender Steve over champion Steve.

Fortunately for Cansdell, the bout was over two-minute rounds, so he didn't lose his title, but his loss fouled up the Newcastle appearance against Ramon—and Cansdell didn't receive anything like the money against Aczel that he was guaranteed against Ramon.

▲The following night Charkey Ramon, 157¾, had little trouble with Manuel Fierro, 159¾, referee Des Crabbe rescuing the Mex in the 7th round. But Charkey fought well below form. Not only was he ring rusty, he seemed to be without a plan or purpose; he just went in and belted.

▲They do come back, sometimes, but past experience has shown that when a veteran makes a comeback after a few years spell he has only a couple of good fights left in him.

Former Australian lightweight champion Gilberto Biondi made a comeback after four years absence, and only a couple of months short of his 40th birthday. Gilberto did well. Scaling only 129, he boxed a draw with current Australian lightweight champion Colin Cassidy, 136. This was at Melbourne Festival Hall.

▲Stadiums Ltd. was enamoured with the vet's performance, so asked Frankie Bennett if his Australian junioir lightweight champion Billy Moeller would defend his title against Biondi.

Billy had been champion for more than two years, had announced his retirement last November, thus leaving the throne vacant, but had made a comeback to re-win his title. That re-win was only 13 days before Stadiums asked for him to defend against Biondi. However, Bennett had another fight lined up for Moeller—so he wired back to Stadiums Ltd. that Moeller would not be available until after that date. As that date was only two weeks after Stadiums wanted him, and only six weeks after Billy had won the title, it showed that Moeller intended—this time—to be a fighting champion.

▲However, this evidently didn't suit Stadiums Ltd. That firm suddenly withdrew recognition of Moeller as champion—and matched Biondi with Jimmy Bell, billing it for the vacant junior lightweight championship of Australia! Venue Melbourne Festival Hall.

Then Bell suffered a couple of busted ribs—evidently in training, though how it was done has not been released—so Stadiums Ltd. made a late switch to Andy Broome, the holder of the Victorian State junior light and lightweight titles.

The fight came off, and it was a good one, and close, but at the end of the 10 rounds Biondi was a points winner. So according to Stadiums Ltd., Biondi is the new Australian junior lightweight champion. In fact, all he won that night was Broome's State title. The real champion is Billy Moeller.

▲At Woonona-Bulli Club, Billy Mulholland, 125, successfully defended his New South Wales State featherweight title by outpointing Brian Clout, 123, over ten torrid rounds. It was the most exciting fight I've ever refereed, and as my reffing career extends over many years and takes in more than 4,000 fights, that is something. I carded Billy winner 97-96. Judge Don Marks also had a one-point margin to Mulholland, 96-95. Judge Les Wilson had it 92-88. The boys got a large shower of coins and notes from ringsiders, and dozens of fans came to me individually afterwards and said they'd lost money backing Clout but were quite happy to do so as Billy had won in the best fight they'd ever seen.

Mulholland since has signed to meet Tony Ryder for Tony's Australian featherweight title.

Mulholland, by the way, engaged in last year's best fight, in outpointing Dennis Talbot.

Two eight-rounders supported Mulholland-Clout. Each was a good fight; each received a shower of coins from ringsiders. In one Wayne Wallace, 117, outpointed Steve Walker, 116. In the other Steve Gossen, 124, outpointed Willie Leslie, 121. Both fights were close in the points margins.

▲Australian and Commonwealth bantam champion Paul Ferreri had two good wins during the month—both at Blacktown. Ferreri easily outpointed Australian and Commonwealth flyweight champion Big Jim West. Each weighed 118¾. He outpointed his leading contender Brian Roberts, 115, in another non-title fight. Ferreri's margin was quite clear, referee Jimmy Carruthers awarding him seven rounds.

▲At the same club two weeks prior to the Ferreri-Roberts bout, Brian Roberts, 116¾, gained a good points win over Guinea Hillier, 115¾, over ten, while in another ten on the same bill, Willie Leslie, 122, outpointed Wayne Wallace, 118.

▲New Zealand middleweight Billy Bell, who started his pro career in Australia under the name "Tony Williams", is back in town, now under his own name, and at South Sydney Junior Leagues Club, Kingsford, he outpointed Kim Miller in the main-event eight that drew a shower of coins from appreciative ringsiders. Bell, 163, decked Miller, 170, near the end of the first round and if the bell hadn't terminated the round as Kim regained his feet, the fight would have ended then as I couldn't let him be hit again. However, the bell kept him in the fight and he did not get into serious trouble thereafter although Bell won clearly enough on all cards.

▲Two weeks later Billy Bell, 160, was in action again at the Juniors, this time against Graham Battems, 157, and what a fight this one was. First two rounds were even, 3rd and 4th went to Bell, 5th was even, and it was a heavy-hitting, at times brutal, battle. Near the end of the 6th round Battems began to paw with his punches, and Bell decked him. The bell sounded as he regained his feet on six, and I led him back to his corner. I said to his trainer, Cliff Kenworthy: "Graham is starting to fall apart. I'm stopping the fight." Cliff replied: "Good. I don't want him hurt." This fight received the biggest shower of coins ever sent into the ring at this club.

▲At New Lambton, Jade Emerald, 141½, gained a close and split points win over Amos Roberts, 138½, over ten. Three weeks later (June 5) at Souths Juniors, Jade Emerald, 139, met Binky Rominski, 138, over ten threes for the N.S.W. State junior welterweight title.

This was a gripping fight that again drew a shower—a large one—from ringsiders. Emerald won clearly on points—nine points margin on my card as ref and on one of the two judge's, six points on the other judge's card. But it was a fight packed with tension.

▲At North Sydney, Semi Bula, 159½, retained his N.S.W. State middleweight title by halting Alex Laurin, 157¾, in the 7th round. This avenged a previous 20-second KO win by Laurin over Bula a few weeks earlier in an overweight bout. This time Bula dominated, decking Laurin twice on the way, although Bula himself took a count.

In an eight-rounder on the same bill, Jeff Malcolm, 133, outpointed Danny Riley, 133¾.

▲Same night, this time at Riverwood, Tommy Roberts, 141, was held to a draw by Alex Burns, 141, in a hard fight. The two had met before with Roberts taking a points decision. That was at Brookvale.

▲Eddie Buttons, 143, and Lou Cruz, 142, picked up a shower after their main-event at Kingsford. Hard fight. Buttons won a close but unanimous decision.

▲Victorian State welter champion Darryl Carrick, 145¾, had a points win over Mexican Jose Luis Baltazar, 147, at Melbourne. Clear-cut but hard. Baltazar found Carrick nowhere as good as Australian welter champion Rocky Mattioli who outclassed him. Rocky, by the way, is world class.

In an eight-rounder on the same card Wally Carr, 140, tossed a shock into Billy O'Connor, 140 by knocking him out in the fifth. Carr is a good boy headed towards the top of Aussie ratings.

▲Last year Greg McNamara and Al Korovou staged two good fights for a points win each. They staged their rubber match at Melbourne Festival Hall, and McNamara, 165, was astray with his blows through most of the fight. Korovou, 162, was on target and collected the points. Fair average fight, not exciting.

In an eight-round support, fast southpaw Jimmy Brown, 126, halted Darryl Hammond, 131, in the fourth due to a cut eye.

▲Former Australian amateur bantam champion Jimmy Slatter, 117¼, had a good points win over ten rounds against aggressive Keith Ball, 117¾, at Blacktown.

In support to Ramon-Fierro at Brisbane, Jim Gillon, 149, found it was the wrong thing to do to match Dave Edwards, 145, in punching duels. Dave won this eight-rounder by KO in 6th.

▲At Cronulla, Kid Bale, 159, won a fight after the bell ended the fourth round. His opponent, Steve Host, 158, landed a punch after the bell. Bale retaliated, Host threw another, so Bale landed a solid one to the jaw. Down went Host. Referee Billy Males led Host back to his corner but Steve's trainer, Andy Whittet, said that Host wasn't in fit condition to continue, so Males crowned Bale a KO winner.

▲Final result of the month comes from Perth where Billy Edwards, 118, KO 7 Trevor Morrish, 117½.

CONN. FANS NO LIKE TWO MIN. ROUNDS, BUTLER WINS

By BILLY KOWALCZYK

West Hartford, Conn. — It is very much to be deplored that the return of professional boxing to the State of Connecticut was marred here recently and caused quite a popular uprising among the 2,000 fans in attendance.

Larry Butler, fighting as welterweight champion of New England, representing Portland, Me. got the decision after 12 rounds.

The smalltime riot was caused by the fact that the fight was conducted with two minute rounds. Tickets did not warn the buyers of this strange provision.

There also was a cause for dissatisfaction in that the fight, supposed to be for a title, was not billed for 15 rounds.

In any event, the promoter appears to be in a hassle with Barbara Dunn, who runs boxing in Connecticut.

It is quite evident that American fans at professional fights, unlike those in England, do not go for two-minute rounds.

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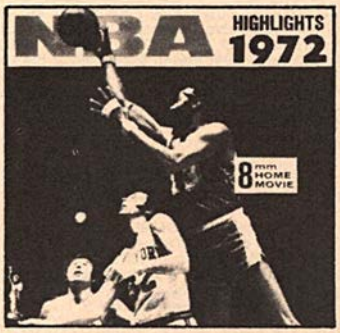

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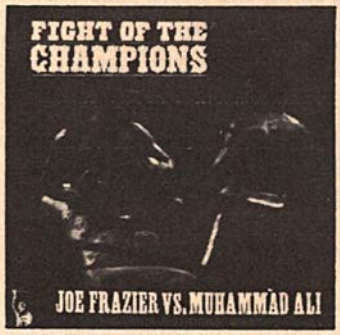

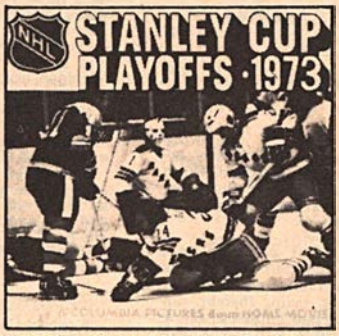

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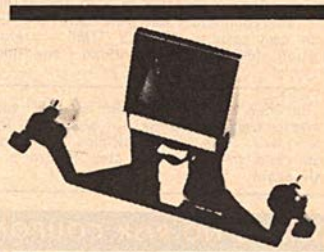

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NOTES FROM THE COAST

By ABE HOCHHEISER

Los Angeles, Calif. — Pinkey Kaufman, Philadelphia welterweight of the 20's and 30's died at his home in Sherman Oaks, California. . .Art "Golden Boy" Aragon, lightweight of the 40's and 50's has opened up a new bail-bond office at 6161 Van Nuys Boulevard, Van Nuys, Calif.

Pete Rademacher, who fought Floyd Patterson for the world heavyweight championship, has been named President of Kiefer-McNeil corporation of Akron, Ohio, a sports equipment outfit. . .The second benefit boxing show held at the Los Angeles Elks Club to help raise funds for the Wilshire Boys Club, a division of the Los Angeles Police Department Youth Services, had the pleasure of a personal appearance by movie actor George Raft.

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West Coast boxing referee and judge Bobby Rings has been around boxing nearly all his life, starting as an amateur at thirteen. When Joe Louis fought Max Marek for the Golden Gloves light heavyweight title in 1934 at Chicago Stadium, Rings fought on the same card, winning the open class middleweight title. Rings also fought two bouts against Lee Oma in the amateurs and participated as a professional from 1936 to 1946. During this time he was also a carnival boxer offering $25 to anyone going the distance with him.

During World War Two, Rings served in the U.S. Air Force as a glider pilot with the 101st airborne division and participated in many attacks. His job was to get behind the enemy lines and to report any heavy artillery.

On his discharge from the service, Rings became a referee and served 15 years as chief referee for the State of Michigan from 1946 to 1961. He also refereed in Missouri and Kansas.

Besides being a genial guy around the California fight beat, Rings is sales representative for Galpin Ford automobile dealers, Van Nuys, California. Rings is also sports editor of the "Galpineer" the Galpin Ford monthly bulletin.

Mary Rings, Bobby's daughter, is a talented movie and TV actress. She appeared on TV's "Gunsmoke," "Six Million Dollar Man" with Lee Majors, "Skin Game" with James Garner and co-starred with Gene Barry in the stage play "Fiddler On The Roof".

Rings' wonderful wife Marie accompanies Bobby to all the fights.

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A recent California visitor was Barry Hayes, Australian boxing referee-judge and timekeeper. Hayes is on a tour around the world visiting various countries to introduce a new brand name dog food "Jets Meat Broth". Hayes has also appeared in movies and TV. He is a dog trainer. Has been in motion pictures as actor, producer, writer and director. During the 50's he appeared in the Autralian film "Nights In The City" with Richard Widmark, Mike Mazurki and Gene Tierney.

Hayes was producer, writer and director for Australian television station channel 9 show "New Faces" of the 60's and 70's. Hayes also wrote the television script "Catchpole Two Thousand" for Australian TV, station channel 7.

Hayes is the only known person to jump 384 feet off the Sydney Harbor Bridge. Hayes is an experienced movie stunt man and was testing out a new type life water jacket for the Australian Armed Forces at the time.

On a recent stopoff on his world tour Hayes visited Hawaii and stayed as a guest in the home of his good friend, Bobby Lee, President of the World Boxing Association.

Young Barry Hayes serves as the Justice of Peace of the Juvenile Courts of Surry Hills district Sydney, Australia.

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Will Gould, whose cartoons appeared in the old time boxing record books, now lives in North Hollywood, California, and has been in th e motion picture industry for many years as producer, director and screenplay writer.

Gould was 14 years old when he started his career in the newspaper business, working as a copyboy for the New York Herald. At 16, he was a cartoonist for the Bronx Home News.

At 21 he became a headline writer for the Hearst Syndicate and later joined King Features where he did the popular syndicated comic strip "Red Barry" which later became a 15-episode serial starring Buster Crabbe.

For years Gould has been a close pal of syndicated news columnist Ed Sullivan and it was Gould who recommended Sullivan for the job as sports columnist on the New York Evening Graphic where Sullivan started as a bigtime writer.

Other famous name news writers Gould has been closely associated with were Damon Runyon, Joe Williams, Paul Gallico, Murray Lewin, Dan Parker and Hype Igoe.

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Doc Moen, former New York manager-trainer, now lives in Sylmar, California. Moen was National Golden Gloves finalist in 1936. He was also trainer for former champs Mando Ramos and Rodalfo Gonzales.

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One of California's most honorable boxing men, "Mr. Golden Gloves" Art Martell, at age 81, is now retired and in the best of health. He is living at the Capri Rest Home, Van Nuys, California.

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In the new book now off the press "The Life And Curious Death Of Marilyn Monroe," Noble "Kid" Chissell, former boxer, writer and movie actor, compiled much information for the book written by Robert Slatzer. Besides being a onetime reporter for Ring Magazine, Chissell was also a sheriff for the Los Angeles Police Department.

NEW YORK BOXING IN JEOPARDY AS GREATEST TITLE FIGHT IN HISTORY IS SET FOR AFRICA

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the promotion game have invaded Zaire with a treasury of $11,000,000; a soccer stadium seating 100,000 in what used to be Leopoldville in the heart of Africa; and world champion George Foreman, who won the title in Jamaica and is favored to defeat, even stop, the man who won the heavyweight title as Cassius Clay.

The emphatic and conclusive way in which Foreman took the title from Frazier, with six knockdowns in two rounds, leaves Ali a second choice. But his supporters still count on him. If, as the experts insist, it would take a miracle for Muhammad to win the title back, a miracle is in the making, Ali's followers insist.

In his first defense of the title Foreman quickly disposed of Joe King Roman, of Puerto Rico, in a fistic hoax.

Then, at Caracas, Foreman stopped Ken Norton in the second round of a disappointing fight.

Now it is Kinshasa in the Congo, with a British syndicate putting up the incredible guarantees and Mombuto, boss man of Zaire, making tax concessions which leave not only New York but London and Paris biting their civic nails and insisting that it just could not be.

When Frazier and Ali met for the first time, in the Garden, financial heights never even dreamed of were achieved with the powerful help of around the world theatre television at admission rates hitherto regarded as impossible.

When promoters of the Foreman-Ali fight searched the world for a locale which would afford them safe tax conditions, their first choice was the oil nation of Kuwait.

However, Foreman refused to fight in an atmosphere so predominantly Mohammedan, what with Ali having become a Moslem.

Seven other locales came under consideration, always with the objectives of easy taxes and good video satellite conditions.

Out of nowhere came Zaire (Zai-are.)

Where was it? Could it support a world championship fight? Was it safe from the tax grab which Foreman's fight with Norton had gone through in Caracas? Did Zaire offer the necessary video facilities.

In Zaire there would be no official curiosity as to how unknown promoters could gather $11,000,000 to put on a world title fight amid the elephants, leopards, diamonds and copper mines.

In any event, it turned out that the Zaire story was no hoax. In Zaire, the fitht would take place and in New York a governor would see to it there would be no more major fights in the Garden.

Just who will referee the Zaire fight was not known at the time this edition of The Ring went to press. But it will not be Joe Louis, who probably closed his career as a third man in the Frazier-Quarry fight.

If Foreman stops Ali, the heavyweight field will be reduced to radically slim proportions.

Ali is not without thousands of supporters and stranger things have happened. Muhammad's condition and mobility over an extended period will be of the utmost importance.

Muhammad is a pirouetter while Foreman is a one direction mover, straight ahead, after the Frazier method.

Got at least $2,500 and a hot desire to see Foreman–Ali and the strange venue of Zaire? Call Swissair or the Sabena airlines.

Make sure you have the money and don't expect to wash dishes for your keep. Sleep in a tent? Perhaps.

Quarry's showing against Frazier left no room for discussion of Jerry for a return match. Jerry's bride sat crying after the debacle and indicated that the time had come for her husband to call it quits.

The boxing historian found the Quarry exit interesting from several angles.

In the fourth round Frazier landed several rights. He had discovered that he had a right.

Quarry doubled up and toppled from a left to the stomach. That punch was a duplicate of the famous solar plexus with which Bob Fitzsimmons assured himself of the world heavyweight title. It knocked out Jim Corbett.

This happened at Carson City, Nev. on March 17, 1897.

Nobody ever before had heard of a solar plexus punch. Bob Davis, of the New York Sun, gave it the name.

In the fourth round against Quarry, Frazier reached across the chasm of 77 years to reproduce Fitz's solar plexus punch to assure himself of the victory over Quarry. Jerry was finished then and there.

INSIDE THE ROPES

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Herbert Muhammad's taking over. You'll find Angelo in the corner whenever Ali is in action.

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TEXAN ALVARADO TAKES TITLE FROM WAJIMA IN 15th HEAT AT TOKYO

By JOE Y. KOIZUMI

Tokyo, Japan — Oscar Shotgun Alvarado of Uvalde, Texas, is the new world junior middleweight champion.

The Texan took the title from Koichi Wajima in the 15th and last round of a hard fight. The 15th had gone 1 min. 53¾ sec. when the 31-year-old Wajima let the title go all the way to Texas.

Wajima was the favorite with the big turnout but the American, at 25, was the stronger fighter and the more punishing.

The fight has a strange finish. The Texan was in front by a couple of points when he landed a long right to force a compulsory eight count.

Then the Japanese loser hit the deck again, and, as he lay there, he tried desperately to grab Alvarado to raise himself back into action.

The title already was on its way to Uvalde, the location of which nearly all of the onlookers could not identify from Kamchatka.

The winner's face was not bruised, though Alvarado had been called a frequent bleeder.

Wajima's eyes were puffed and almost closed. He took a severe beating. Wajima failed to defend himself in his willing mix-up. From the start Wajima lacked his usual zip, speed and power.

The first three rounds were dominated by the scrappy Oscar.

The Japanese puncher who had compiled a record of 29-2-1 (24 KOs) changed a way of fighting into a positive attack. Wajima took the fourth canto.

It was Wajima's 7th defense since he wrested the title from Carmelo Bossi in 1971. Previously he showed tricky mobility to annoy the victims before his sudden persistent attack. It was his style. But Koichi, bleeding from the nose in the fifth round, took Alvarado's stinging lefts time and again.

In short range they exchanged a toe-to-toe rally to battle evenly from the seventh to the tenth session.

Oscar's specialty was a left uppercut to the body. It was effective enough to make Wajima fade rapidly. But the victor repeated punching under the belt. Referee Yusaku Yoshida declared one-point deduction in the 11th round. The next three sessions were hard-fought, and Alvarado showed superiority in stamina and sharpness.

Wajima's best was witnessed in the 14th round. He nailed Oscar against the ropes to send a two-fisted attack continually.

However Wajima's desperate attack failed in finishing the points leader only to cause his own great exhaustion. Alvarado, weighing 151¾, upped his record to 51 wins (38 knockouts) against 2 losses and one draw.

The card featuring Wajima, Japan's top attraction, drew some 10,000 spectators at Nihon University Auditorium, Tokyo.

▲**Kerakuen Hall, Tokyo,** saw the Uehara brothers win over underdog rivals easily. Yasuharu Uehara, 129¾, stopped Masaharu Tsuchiya, 128¾, at 2 min. 33 sec. of the opening session of a scheduled 10 rounder.

In another ten Flipper Uehara whipped Korea's Kong-Won Lee in 10 lopsided rounds. They weighed 129½ pounds each. Yasu who had beaten Ricardo Arrhedondo, Mexico's ex-WBC champ, in his previous appearance is to take a crack at Ben Villaflor's title in the 130-pound class in Hawaii.

▲Flasher Ishibashi, 161½, made the best use of his vaunted left hand, battered Hyung-Suk Park, Korea, almost at will and made him retire at the end of the sixth round. Flasher proved too fast and powerful for the newcomer whose eyes were swollen badly. There were no knockdowns scored until the sudden stoppage, but some 1500 fans witnessed one-sided proceedings. The loser scaled in at 161 pounds.

▲Betulio Gonzales, Venezuela, whose first appearance here had resulted in a close decision by the late Masao Ohba came to fight a non-title go with Shoji Oguma, Japanese hop with a record of 20-1 (10 KOs).

Gonzales was annoyed by an early firework of Oguma, lost the first two rounds. But the Venezuelan veteran solved the busy mobility of Oguma as the contest progressed. He concentrated to send right leathers without sending jabs to the lefty rookie. The winner outmaneuvered Oguma to dominate three rounds in the second half. The Japanese' winning streak was halted at 15, but Oguma fought well with the scrappy import. They weighed at 121½ pounds.

▲A double tenner of young prospects made estimated 1500 fans gather at Korakuen Hall. Spider (Shigemitsu) Nemoto, 124 pounds, outscored Genzo Kurosawa in 10 hot rounds. Kurosawa whose campaign in Mexico resulted in two wins and three defeats was forced to be whipped by the shorter foe in a continual mix-up.

In a semi Beaver Kajimoto, at 110, was an upset points winner from Takenobu Shimabukuro, 112, in 10 speedy heats. Take was a rising flyweight whom fight fans here call the second Masao Ohba due to his stylish fighting. But he was outpunched by the neglected veteran in a close but unanimous contest.

▲A card was ballyhooed as a competition to decide who should take a shot at Jose Napoles's welter laurels. Orient titlist Ryu Sorimachi, Japan, lost to Eddie Perkins, U.S. veteran at 147 pounds, in 10 shutout rounds to prove that he was inferior in defensive tactics especially to the 37-year-old Perkins.

It was Eddie's leading pace all the way. He battered the taller Japanese at will, side-stepped swiftly and piled up points as the rounds progressed. Ryu, 148¼, tried to catch the elusive opponent, but was counterpunched by Eddie's stinging lefts. The winner's best was seen in the eighth canto, when he almost floored Ryu with well-timed right shots.

▲Gutts (Ishimatsu) Suzuki surprisingly knocked out Rodolfo Gonzales, Mexican puncher, to win the WBC's version of the lightweight title. The end came after 8 hard-fought rounds.

A scheduled 15-rounder was staged before some 7,000 spectators at Nihon University Auditorium, Tokyo. A furious barrage of the Japanese swarmed over Gonzales who was rubber-legged after absorbing his rival's counterpunching. Suzuki nailed the sturdy Mexican against the ropes, sending a vicious right following a well-timed left to the button. Down he went from the face to the canvas. Referee Larry Rozadilla counted a mandatory eight against the groggy Mexican.

Rodolfo, whose previous record of 57-5 (47 KO') had made him a prohibitive favorite among ringsiders collapsed again from Suzuki's desperate attack. However the third man called it a slip down, and gave his hand to help Gonzales, flat on his back, regain his feet. A crowd, stunned by the ref's unreasonable aids to the loser, blamed Rozadilla for his partial actions.

Suzuki, weighing 135 pounds, made another all-out attack to the half-conscious Mexican to drop him on the third occasion. Gonzales once managed to beat the count, but fell back at his own corner. A fatal ten was tolled against him. It was an upset result.

Suzuki, 24-year-old, had failed twice to gain the international title. He was a kayo loser to Ismael Laguna in 1970, and to Roberto Duran in 1973. For all his still overconfidence Suzuki was hardly believed, by experts and fans, to win from the durable Mexican. Gonzales copped the version by stopping Chango Carmona in 12 rounds in 1972. Before the trick the proceedings featured a see-saw change.

From the first canto they rallied fiercely as if it had been the final session. Rodolfo, 134½ pounds, exclusively battered his man's body. Suzuki connected with a sharp combination to the fact of Gonzales. The newcomer took the third round. He stunned the taller Japanese with a looping right. However Suzuki came back gamely to exchange a rally toe-to-toe to dominate the next session. In round six Suzuki was in command by a clearcut margin. His vicious right had the veteran off-balance to send him to the ropes.

Gonzales was a game hombre whose non-stop punching appeared to assure his expected win. After the trick Suzuki, piloted by Kenji Yonekura who had twice failed in a crack at the then 118-pound crown, won his second title, because he was the current Oriental leader.

Japanese witnesses hope happy Suzuki to meet Shinichi Kadota, rated Japanese lefty, rather than Roberto Duran. Suzuki, once kayoed by the southpaw, dethroned Kadota in a rematch with the latter's Orient crown in 1972. Kadota, fast puncher, halted ex-champ Chango Carmona in Hawaii last year. Their rubber battle will be a sensation this autumn.

In a supporting tenner Harbar Watanabe, 142, outscored Masao Takahashi, 140¼.

▲Okinawa witnessed a local favorite named Takenobu Shimabukuro, 111¾, decisioned by Jiro Takada in 10 speedy rounds. It was an eliminator to decide a successor to Susumu Hanagata, rated flyweight, who intended to concentrate on a shot at the world title.

The decision was unanimous. Jiro, at 112, took the lead after they had fought in 4 even rounds. The winner outjabbed Shimabukuro in the 5th, 6th and 7th rounds. It was Shima's first defeat, for the 22-year-old hope had compiled a record of 5-0-1 (1 KO). The win upped Jiro's record to 21-6-1 (8 KOs). Some 3,500 customers were in attendance.

▲Junichi Ohkubo, 120¾, got off the canvas in the third, came back gamely and stopped Tatsunoshin Ishimi, 121½, in the fifth session. Ishimi was a lefty whose style annoyed the ex-local Shinjin-o in Osaka. (at Korakuen Hall, Tokyo, unless otherwise designated).

▲Flasher Ishibashi, national middleweight boss, battered Nobuyoshi Ozaki one-sidedly to finish him in 4 hot rounds. Both weighed in at 160¾ pounds. Ishi's title was not at stake.

Freddy Mason, new import from Africa, showed sharpness in stopping Noriaki Yoshimura in 6 frames. They were lightweights. The victor weighed 134, Noriaki 132½. The double tenner drew an estimated 2500 spectators at Osaka Gymnasium.

▲In 9 brutal see-saw rounds Bull Kato, 146¾, flattened Toshiharu Nambu, 146, by a persistent body bombardment. Nambu, inexperienced underdog, sent the shorter windmill for a compulsory eight count in the second round. In the next session Kato dropped his rival with a right shot. It was a rough total war. Kato, behind on points, concentrated on a body attack and floored Nambu three times in round nine.

Rising hope Kenji Endo, stablemate of Kato, was also a kayo winner over Hiroyuki Masai, 124, in the second canto of a supporting semi. Endo banged out the taller opponent with a barrage of punches, sending him to the canvas twice. The third man called a halt to save the loser from further punishment.

▲After the first knockdown Shinichi Kadota, lightweight lefty at 140, swarmed over Alberto Vecera, Filipino at 138½, to finish him in the fourth of a scheduled 10 rounder. Vecera was no match for the sharper puncher. Up to the stoppage Kadota often had the import at bay with fast combinations.

In a semi ten Tomeo Takemori, 127¾, was annoyed by the durability of Kwong-Won Lee, Korean, at 128, for all his previous points lead.

The Japanese stopped the foe in the ninth. Lee refused to go down and was one-sidedly battered with his back against the ropes. The ref declared a halt immediately.

▲Masa Itoh defeated Ichiro Izawa by a unanimous decision in 10 monotonous rounds. It was held at Hofu City, Ito's native prefecture. They were junior lightweights.

▲Okinawa witnessed Kenichi Shimabukuro finished at the superior hand of Socrates Batoto in the ninth round of a scheduled 12 round contest. Batoto easily retained his 112-pound title of the Orient in lopsided process. The stronger champ had the Japanese down twice in the fourth round. But Ken fought back gamely to manage to last the critical round.

From the start Shimabukuro took sharp beatings by Batoto. In the sixth and seventh cantos the bout appeared to finish due to the Filipino's hard-punching performance. Time was 42 seconds of the fatal session. Batoto caught the face of the fading Japanese to send him to dreamland. Spectators in Okinawa saw the local favorite beaten badly and were amazed by the winner's scrappy action. The flyweights entered the ring at 112 pounds, the limit of the division.

Korean news reported that Japan's Eagle Sato was kayoed by Chang-Kil Lee, Orient junior welter leader, in their scheduled 12 round contest, Seoul. The victory means Lee's first defense since he regained the 140 pound-class title after the OBF's forfeit. Lee had been stopped by Ken Buchanan in New York, last year.

The news on the next day of Wajima's kayo by Shotgun Alvarado caused great surprise among fight fans here. Wajima suffered brain damage, so several days would be required for his recovery.

The JBC doctor said, however, that the KO loser could continue his ring campaign. More amazing was the JBC officials' scoring up to the 14th round. Two, ref Yoshida and judge Kanaya, had Wajima ahead 67-65 under the 5 point must system. Another judge Ebine saw Alvarado leading by 67-66. The UPI reportedly scored the affair 65-65 even for 14 cantos.

▲Norihiko Takatani is a Japanese manager of Alvarado. He comes from Hiroshima and is a pharmacist in Los Angeles. The 35-year-old who became the manager of the KO victor five years ago said after the battle, "I'm willing to bring Alvarado back to Japan, my native country, and give Wajima a chance to win back his title."

▲Fight results that were not reported in the previous issue of The Ring proved to be our fighters' defeats by Orient champions in foreign countries. In Korea Go Mifune was decisioned unanimously by Soo-Hwan Hong in a 12-round title competition. (Apr. 20) Kenji Kato lost to Socrates Batoto via a 4th-round KO route of a nontitle 10er, Manila, P.I. (Apr. 26) Batoto is a rated flyweight who seeks a chance to take the 112-pound crown.

▲In Bankok, Shoji Okano, national boss, was also TKOed by Thailand's Thanomjit Sukothai in the 8th round. The reports made experts and fans gloomy.

▲Kyoto City saw Waringe Nakayama, Olympian, dropped out of the ropes in the second and floored to the deck in the fourth by Tomoharu Eda in a scheduled 10 rounder. But the official verdict was a draw. Nakayama, in latter rounds, whipped the newcomer all to sticks to recover the points deficit. In the sixth and eighth session Eda was close to a kayo by the rival's combinations. Nakayama, taller African now living in Japan, scaled at 122 to Eda's 121½ pounds.

In a semi Shinnosuke Minori, rising puncher at 112, halted Greater Sonoda, 110½, in the fifth round. Minori was a local Shinjin-o winner last year.

▲Before some 1000 fans Toshiharu Mori sent Hwa-Ryong Yuh, frequent import from Korea, to the canbas in the 10th and final round to gain a decision. The hard-fought affair took place at Abeno Gymnasium, Osaka. Until the ninth they had dominated three rounds each in see-saw proceedings. Both weighed at 132 pounds.

▲In a tune-up go with Brazil's Eder Jofre in this summer Zensuke Utagawa kayoed Romeo Tomagan, Guam Islands, in the sixth round of a scheduled 12 rounder at Korakuen Hall. Zen's Orient featherweight title was at stake. The difference fo speed in feet and fists was so obvious as to cause a quick finish. A smashing right of Utagawa was a haymaker. The loser had been battered lopsidedly before the clean stoppage. Zen entered the ring at 125½.

▲Gold Jo, 140 pounds, proved too aggressive for Kazuyuki Iwakiru, 139, to score a decision in 10 heats. Jo dominated the second half by positively attacking the loser.

▲In their rematch Ushiwakamaru Harada was a points winner again from Masanao San in 10 one-sided rounds, Fuji City. It was Harada's first defense since he dethroned San by a close decision this Jan. Harada had little difficulty in overwhelming the fading foe with his windmill body attack. In the 8th and 9th sessions San almost failed to cover himself up to absorb much punishment. The decision was well-received.

▲A double title go was an attraction that drew estimated 4000 fans at Osaka. Kenji Shibata, left newcomer, became the junior middleweight champion, as he dropped Hitoshi Nakagawa in the ninth to earn a unanimous decision. Kayoed by Korean Min Cho in his previous bout, Nakagawa appeared to lack freshness and sharpness only to be beaten at the hand of the 21-year-old rookie.

In another tenner Susumu Okabe successfully retained his 130-pound class title, as he easily outpunched and outclassed Eiji Maruki in 10. Okabe was in command in five rounds, losing none. Maruki, taller but inexperienced guy, tried to avoid a mix-up with his superior footwork. But the winner bored in gamely to beat Maruki almost at will.

AMATEURS IN HALIFAX AS CANADA BEATS GERMANY

By FRED BISHOP

Halifax, N.S. — It was International Night in Halifax and a night of upsets all around as the West German National team, fresh from a seven to four win in Toronto over top Canadian amateurs tried to repeat.

The Canadians, drawn from across Canada and including six national champions upset the Germans by winning six of the ten matches. All fights were action-packed, with the greatest upset coming in the final match as North American heavyweight champion Carroll Morgan, 210, Antigonish, N.S. was stopped in one round by Erich Seidel, Morgan had stopped Seidel in three rounds last year in Germany and was expected to repeat with no trouble.

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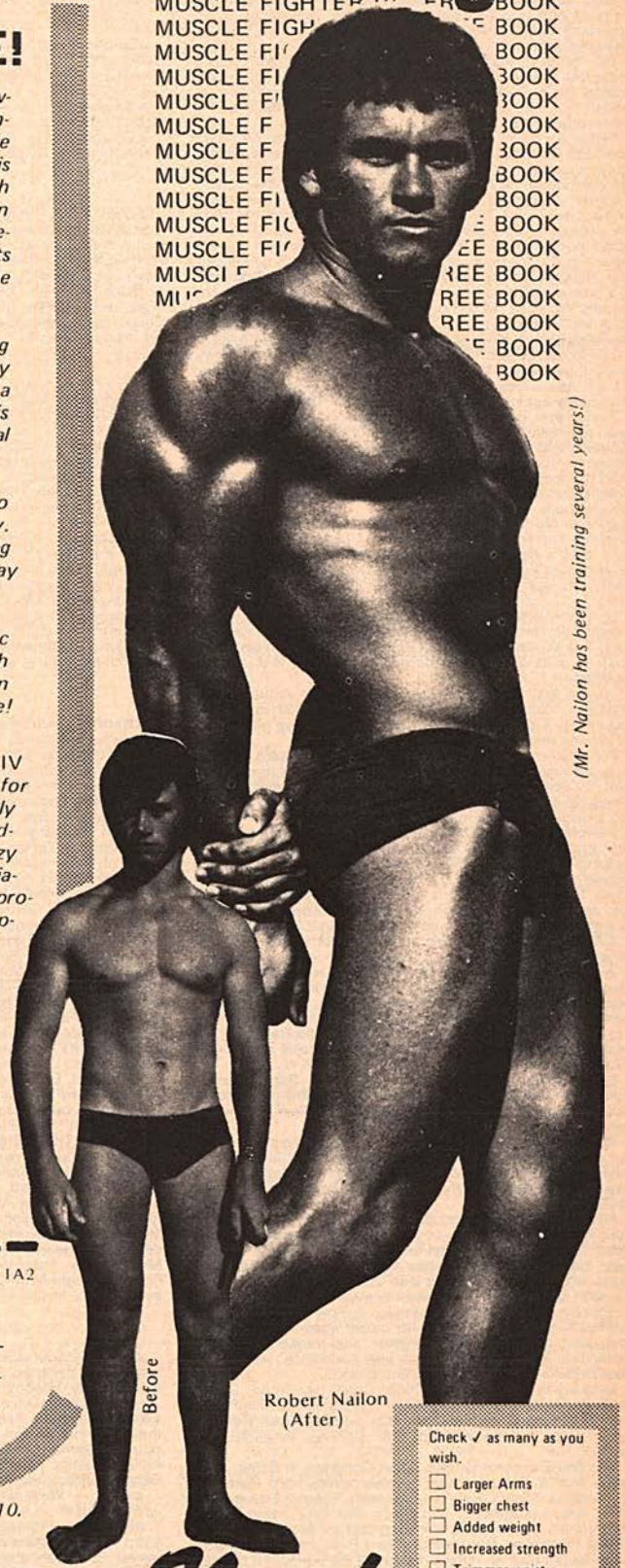

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ACTION IN EUROPE

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compare with this tremendous feat. It was then that Bruce Woodcock, heavyweight, Freddie Mills, light heavyweight, Al Phillips and Ronnie Clayton, featherweight, Peter Kane, bantamweight, and Ernie Roderick, welterweight, all ruled Europe at one time or another during the year.

Another successful year for British boxing was 1923, when Roland Todd and Ted Kid Lewis held the middleweight title, Harry Mason and Seaman Hall won the lightweight crown and Harry Bugler Lake and Johnny Brown both collected the bantamweight crown.

The first European title fight in which a Britain participated occurred on October 29, 1906, when Gunner Moir beat another British heavyweight, Jack Palmer, who was disqualified in the ninth. Statistics are always interesting but they can cause arguments.

British boxers have been involved in 224 of the 778 European title contests on record. 154 of them were staged in Great Britain and 70 abroad. Of the home matches both boxers were British on 41 occasions with one ending in a draw.

Of the remaining 113 bouts against foreign opposition British boxers won 73, drew 4 and lost 36. London has been the setting for 96 European contests. Of the fights abroad British pugilists have little to brag about for they won only 16, drew 4 of the 70 bouts, with one being declared no contest. The favored few to win title contests abroad include Dick Richardson, who won three in Germany, Young Joseph and Howard Winstone, who had two victories apiece, Joe Bugner, John McCormack, Ralph Charles, Dave Charnley, Sid Smith, Buchanan, Kevin Finnegan and Stracey, with one win each.

The British double on the Paris bill, staged on tthe center court of the French Wimbledon tennis stadium, Stade Roland Garros, was a major upset with few, if any, of the British boxing scribes tipping Finnegan or Stracey to win.

French and British boys have faced one another in European title fights on 74 occasions with the Frenchmen winning 37, the British 35 and with 2 all square. It was in Paris that Britain Young Joseph outscored Battling Lecroix, France, over 20 rounds on Dec. 19, 1910, and decisioned Frenchman Robert Eustache on May 5th the following year in welterweight bouts.

28-year-old Menetrey had reigned in Europe since 1971 when he scored over Britain's Ralph Charles. He was at the time of this defense against Stracey the longest reigning champion in Europe. Menetrey, who joined the paid ranks in 1967, has won 51 of his 58 starts, losing six and drawing one.

He made five successful defenses of his European welterweight title, beating Silvano Bertini and Sandro Lopopolo, Italy, Robert Gallois, France, Jorgen Hansen, Denmark, and Jose Dopico, Spain. He barred no one and was a good champion.

30-year-old Bouttier's reign as European middleweight champion lasted only 87 days. He won the title by beating Italian Elio Calcabrini on Mar. 2 last. In facing Kevin Finnegan, he was making his first defense.

For Bouttier it was his sixth defeat, two by Carlos Monzon in world title fights, in 70 bouts. Finnegan won the title his brother, Chris, failed to win when he faced Tom Bogs, Denmark, four years ago. Kevin joined the paid ranks after losing a disputed verdict in the ABA finals in 1967.

Frenchman Charley Michaelis was the Paris promoter. He paid the British fighters 15,000 each. For the privilege of witnessing this double feature program, spectators numbering around 8,000 paid from 7 to 46 for a seat. Sportvision Kirkham Theatrical Promotions Ltd., with Graham L. Goodman and John Woolf at the helm, brought the European bouts live to eight London cinemas with seats costing 2,50, 4, 6.50 and 8. Chartered flights flew Britons to Paris for a three-day stay for as little as 60.

Joe Bugner, at 222 pounds, conceded ten pounds to the stocky and smaller Italian, Mario Baruzzi, in their European heavyweight contest at the Broendy Halle, Copenhagen, a venue which was built only a year ago. The fight was brought live on TV to Britons at home. The 37-year-old Baruzzi, three years older than Bugner, took only his third taste of defeat in 37 starts.

Seven years and three dozen fights ago, Baruzzi won a European gold medal in Rome, and after turning professional, won his first 22 starts. Fellow countryman Bepi Ros is the only other guy to have stopped Baruzzi.

With Joe Bugner no crowd puller in Britain, London promoter Mike Barrett wanted to stage the bout in Vienna where thousands of Hungarians would have had the opportunity of seeing their fellow countryman, Bugner, born in Hungary, for the first time.

Not securing a license, Barrett was forced to switch the bout to Copenhagen and co-promoted with Danish promoter Palle. A crowd of 7,500 was expected to produce a 100,000 gate, and together with extras from TV, film, etc., Bugner's purse was around 20,000. It was the Britain's 54th fight and his sixth defense of his European heavyweight crown.

Spanish promoter, Luis Bamala, is now offering Bugner 2,500,000 pesetas to defend his crown against ex-European champion, Jose Urtain, Spain. Urtain, who reigned in 1970, is continuing his comeback after a year's absence. He recently beat Britain's Richard Dunn, in four rounds.

Britain has the European lead. Spain has three, Gitano Jiminez, featherweight, Jose Duran, junior middleweight and Toni Ortiz, junior welterweight, with Norway, Sven Poulsen, junior light, and Switzerland, Fritz Chervet, flyweight, one each.

The first European Boxing Union Congress in Britain in 15 years was a success, with representatives from Germany, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Holland, Italy, Luxembourg and Spain attending. Henri Piguet, Switzerland, was elected vice president to General Secretary Signor Piero Pini. The Italians urged European title contests to be fought over 12 rounds instead of the normal 15 but they were outvoted. Britain voted to rule out the standing count but President Fernand Leclerc's casting vote was not in favor.

Former European light heavyweight champion, Germany's Rudiger Schmidtke, lost a second time to South African Pierre Fourie. Last year the German lost a disputed decision on points and in his recent bout in Johannesburg he was taken out of the fight by referee, Stan Christodolan, in round three. Schmidtke maintained that his right eyebrow was cut open by Fourie's head.

"He would have been disqualified in Germany," said Schmidtke's manager, Wolfgang Mueller. The German's purse was DM 35,000, which softened the taste of defeat somewhat, and with 25,000 in the stadium a third meeting is almost certain.

BELGIUM

▲**Ghent** — Middleweight. Phylo Bandu and Wolfgang Gans, drew a six rounder. Lightweight. Francois Condello beat Henry Thys, TKO5. Fernand Roelandts beat Ahmed Tasci, KO2.

▲**Gembloux** — Middleweight. Alfredo Navieras outscored Gerard Breton, six.

▲**Grivegnee** — Welterweight. Jean Symos beat Jean Pierre Heirman, TKO2.

NORWAY

▲**Oslo** — European junior lightweight champion, Lothar Abend, Germany, lost his title to Sven Erik Poulsen, Norway, in the third. Lightweight. Erik Nikkenen, Finland, decisioned Billy Waith, Wales, six. Welterweight. Kristian Haydahl, Norway, beat Des Rea, Wales, KO2. Middleweight. Tor Reik Hognroe, Norway, outscored Lloyd Gardner, Britain, eight. Light heavy. Harold Skog, Norway, decisioned Pat McCann, Britain, eight. Middleweight Lloyd Gardner, Britain, and Tor Erik Hognro, Norway, drew in a four rounder.

SPAIN

▲**Madrid** — Junior welterweight. Tony Ortiz beat Kid Village, TKO2. Junior middleweight. Jose Duran outscored Gray Ibekwe, eight.

▲**Zaragoza** — Gitano Jiminez, Spain, held on to his European featherweight title beating Elio Cotena, Italy, KO15. Junior welterweight. Gomez Fouz drew with Fernando Sanchez beat Bossi Gonzalez, TKO.

▲**Las Palmas** — Featherweight. Nino Jiminez beat Ramiro Suarez. KO3.

▲**Barcelona** — Toni Ortiz, Spain, held on to his European junior welterweight title beating Roger Zami, TKO7. Middleweight. Jose Duran Spain, decisioned Gerard Cola, France, eight. Lightweight. Gomez Fouz beat Klaus Jacoby, Germany, KO3. Junior lightweight. Miguel Molleda outscored Ali Issaoui, France, eight.

▲**Madrid** — 8,000 saw Jose Duran, Spain, win the European junior middleweight title outpointing champion, Jacques Kechichian, France, over fifteen rounds.

GERMANY

▲**Berlin** — Undefeated middleweight Eckhard Dagge, Germany, outscored Manuel Gonzalez of Texas, over ten rounds. Promoter was Fritz Gretzschel and a crowd of 6,000 were in attendance. German middleweight champion, Frank Reiche, outscored the clever, Clement Tshinza, Luxembourg, eight rounds. Junior middleweight. Wolgang Gans, Germany, outscored Eric Sys, Belgium, six. Middleweight. Frank Wissenbach, Germany, having his first paid fight, outscored Mustafa Demirok, Turkey, four. Middleweight. Rudi Koopmans, Holland, decisioned Daniel Martin, France, eight. Heavyweight. Ex German heavyweight champion, Hartmut Sasse, outpointed Charley Graf, eight. Light heavyweight. Leo Kakolewicz, Germany, forgot his boxing and tried to slug it out with ex European light heavyweight champion, Lothar Stengel, Germany, and was kayoed in the seventh.

▲**Hamburg** — Some 2,600 saw the 72nd German heavyweight championship bout between champion Conny Velensek and Bernd August staged in the Ernst Merck Hall by promoter Willi Schulz. Velensek was outpointed over 12 rounds and lost his title to undefeated 21-year-old Berliner Bernd August who is now being compared with Hein ten Hoff who held the European title in 1951. Welterweight. Tony Habermayer, Germany, beat Ahmed Tasci, Turkey, TKO4. Welterweight. Ex world champion, Mando Ramos, USA, beat Arpad Majai, Hungary, TKO4. Middleweight. Peter Wulf, Germany, outpointed Gray Ibekwe, Nigeria, eight. Heavyweight. Ngozika Ekwelum, Nigeria, beat Kilani Ramdani, Tunis, TKO2. Lightweight. Jonathan Dele, Nigeria, beat Kristian Hoydall, Norway, KO2.

▲**Lubeck** — Nearly a thousand saw two new German champions crowned. Jurgen Voss won the vacant welterweight title beating Klaus Steinmetz, KO4. Peter Scheibner won the vacant junior middleweight crown outpointing Rainer Mueller, twelve rounds. Surprise of the evening was the KO3 defeat of ex world champion, Mando Ramos, by Wolf Gans. Middleweight. Peter Wulf outpointed another German, Alfred Fries, six. Light heavyweight. Albert Theis lost to fellow countryman, Uwe Meinekke, Germany, TKO3.

AUSTRIA

▲**Graz** — 500 at promoter Franz Kalah show saw junior lightweight, coloured, Frenchman, Joseph Soussou outscored by local boy, Esperno Postl, eight. It was a very close affair. Jean Tshikuna, Congo, who has lost 30 of his past 40 starts, was no match for Avanemar Peralta, Argentine, who won in the second frame. Lightweight. Trausmuth, Austria, outpointed Belhadi, Algiers, six. Light heavyweight. Stefan Kohler, Austria, outscored Haci Demirbas, Turkey, six. Josef Bahler, Austria, beat Antonio Trane, Italy, TKO4.

▲**Graz** — Welterweight. Esperno Postl decisioned Klaus Jacoby, eight.

▲**Vienna** — Promoter Willi Zeller's show at the city hall featured a bout between local matador, Johann Orsolics, and former European champion, Elio Calcabrini. Orsolics came out a clear winner on points over ten rounds. Franz Candl, Austria, undefeated, outscored Spaniard, Mimoun Mohatar, over eight rounds. Former world lightweight champion, Mando Ramos was surprisingly held to a draw over eight rounds by Jaroslav Travnik who was having his ninth paid start.

FRANCE

▲**Troyes** — Flyweight. Christian Martin decisioned Isidoro LaBarbera, eight. Middleweight. William Poitrimol drew with Mohammed Bouchara, eight.

▲**Dijon** — Middleweight. Pascal Zito decisioned Marcel Giordanella, ten. Junior welterweight. Pierre Petit outscored Vito Mazzone, eight.

▲**Villeurbanne** — Featherweight. Albert Amatler beat Michel Jamet KO5. Lightweight. Andrew Holyk beat Doninique Azzaro, KO5. Middleweight. Gerard Nosley beat Franco Meconi, TKO3.

▲**Annecy** — Light welterweight. Saadi Saadli outscored Pierre Petit, eight. Louis Chomat beat Saladin Febessi, TKO6. Welterweight. Yves Lefferand beat Fred Roelands, KO6. Light heavyweight. Francois Tahi beat Jean Louis Martin, KO3.

▲**Tourcoing** — Jean Claude Warusfel won the French middleweight title beating champion Francis Vermandere, TKO 10. The referee called a halt after Vermandere had been decked three times. Middleweight. Titi Larbi and Jean Claude Genno drew a six rounder.

▲**Paris** — Max Cohen, France, beat Dennis Riggs in two rounds.

▲**Alfortville** — Welterweight. Jackie van Mellaerts beat Adriano Rodriguez, TKO7. George Warusfel drew with Mongi Lachilli, eight.

▲**Barlin** — Lightweight. Theo Lempine drew with Mohamed Ben Said, eight.

▲**Montigny** — Middleweight. Marcel Millien beat Lionel Mercier who was disqualified in the third.

▲**Isbergues** — Welterweight. Oscar Ilunga drew with Jean Claude Lafargue, eight.

▲**Paris** — Lightweight. George Cotin beat Jo Sissaoni, TKO5.

▲**Compiegne** — Light heavyweight. Robert Amory beat Erwin Josefa, KO3. Featherweight. Ernesto Miranda and Raymond Libbrecht drew their eight rounder.

▲**Dunkirk** — Welterweight. Bernard Creton beat Fernando Tavarez, KO1. Jo Kimpuani beat Flash Patterson, TKO2. Guy Vercoutter outscored Fredo Roelands, eight.

▲**Calais** — Welterweight. Jean Dercle outscored Robert Bavent, eight. Middleweight. Yannick Dufour beat Lionel Cuypers, TKO5.

▲**Paris** — Welterweight. Joseph Rodriguez outscored Pietro Gasparri, eight. Billy Backus, USA, beat Jacques Kechichian, France, TKO6. Max Cohen, France, beat Dennis Riggs, USA, KO1.

▲**Marseilles** — 3,000 saw Gratien Tonna, France, holder of the middleweight title, beat challenger, Fabio Bettini, KO7. Bettini took counts in four of the seven frames. Tonna scored his fourteenth straight win. Middleweight. Max Cohen drew with Eddie Gregory, USA, ten. Jules Bellaiche outscored Michel Chapier, eight.

▲**St. Quentin** — Christian Poncelet, outscored champion Robert Amory, twelve to win the French light heavyweight title. It was Amory's first defeat. Poncelet, making a comeback, won his third bout.

▲**Auxere** — Welterweight. George Perrot decisioned Pietro Gasparri, ten.

▲**Dunkirk** — Junior welterweight. Jo Kimpuani outscored Cemal Kamaci, ten. Bernard Creton beat Ahmed Tasicula, TKO4. Welterweight. Guy Vercoutter beat Olo Koto, TKO3.

▲**Somain** — Flyweight. Isidoro LaBarbera decisioned Angelo Daleo, eight.

▲**Vigneux** — Middleweight. Djilali Koudier, beat Alfredo Navieras, who was disqualified in round five.

ITALY

▲**Milan** — Flyweight. Franco Udella outpointed Fernando Gabino, eight. Light heavyweight. Emilio Cometti outscored Mario Almoanzo, eight. Junior lightweight. Giuseppe Agate outscored Renzo Battistelli, six. Junior middleweight. Roberto Benacquista outscored Salah Grafa, six.

▲**Civitanova** — Featherweight. Sergio Emilli outpointed Ottaviano Quaresimini, eight. Middleweight. Nicola Menchi beat Renato Romano, TKO4, the latter retiring with a cut eye.

▲**Pesaro** — Lightweight. Rocco Zecca outscored Alfred DiSilvio, eight. Heavyweight. Adriano Rosati beat Romano Peviani, TKO3.

▲**Latina** — Ugo Di Pietro beat Neddo Fabbri, TKO5 for the Italian lightweight title. Fabbri sustained a cut eye.

▲**Rome** — Junior welterweight. Italo Duranti drew with Gianni Lamusta, eight.

▲**Milan** — Featherweight. Albert Amatler beat Michele Siracusa, TKO5. Lightweight. Vincenzo Quero and Franko Diana drew their eight rounder. Light middleweight. Giambattista Capretti outscored Luigi Martello, eight. Rocco Frasca beat Marco Ruggero, TKO2. Nicola Sassanelli beat Luciano Laffranchi, TKO6.

▲**Rome** — WBC. Junior welterweight champion, Bruno Arcari, Italy, decisioned Don McClendon, USA, ten.

▲**Sava** — Junior lightweight. Domenico Chiloiri outscored Renzo Battistelli, eight.

▲**Udine** — Junior welterweight. Bruno Feschi beat Vito Sederino, TKO1.

▲**Naples** — Junior welterweight. Ernesto Bergamesco beat Tommaso Marocco who retired with a cut eye in round five.

▲**La Spezia** — Antonio Sassarini won the Italian featherweight title beating champion Enzo Farinelli, on points in twelve.

▲**Cagliari** — Antonio Castellini won the Italian junior middleweight title outpointing champion, Aldo Bentini, twelve. Welterweight. Marco Scano decisioned Dum Dum Pacheo, eight.

▲**Rome** — Junior welterweight. Bruno Arcari, Italy, decisioned Doc McClendon, USA, ten. Vito Antuofermo, USA, beat Joey Durelle, Canada, KO1. Ramon Mendez, Argentina, outscored Vincent Parra, France, eight. Bantamweight. Teo Corallo beat Gianni Garbo who was disqualified in round four.

▲**Cremona** — Welterweight. Gianni Molesini beat Jean Claude Delgrove, KO2.

FOREMAN A MAN WITHOUT A COUNTRY?

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took care of Jewey Smith in five rounds in Paris.

On June 13, Burns stopped Squires for the second time, in Paris, in the eighth round. Then it was on to Sydney, Australia, where, on August 24, Burns again halted Squires, who lasted 13 rounds this time.

Finding life Down Under pretty good, Burns remained in Australia, where he knocked out Bill Lang in six rounds on Sept. 2, at Melbourne.

Then came Tommy's Waterloo. It was on December 26, 1908, that Burns lost the heavyweight title to Jack Johnson, who had pursued Tommy halfway around the world. Johnson became the new titleholder when police intervened in the 14th round while Johnson was battering his smaller opponent.

It was the first time the heavyweight title had changed hands overseas. It was to happen twice more, when Jess Willard took the crown from Johnson by stopping him in the 26th round at Havana, Cuba in April, 1915, and when Foreman disposed of Frazier in Jamaica.

Thus it is written that Burns, smallest of the heavyweight kings, put his precious crown on the line eight times in far off lands, being successful seven times until the spectre of Johnson came along.

Johnson, amid the clamor of being the first Negro to hold the crown, defended his title several times in the United States. His greatest victory occurred on July 4, 1910, when he stopped Jim Jeffries, the former heavyweight king, who emerged from retirement in order to bring the heavyweight title "back to the White race."

Until then, Johnson, was not considered the "real champion," because Jeffries had retired undefeated, with no more worlds to conquer, back in May, 1905.

Though Johnson, following his victory over the mighty Jeffries, should have been sitting on top of the world, it was all downhill for "Li'l Artha" from then on. There was much public resentment of Johnson for his way of life, especially his penchant for marrying white women. He was charged with violation of the Mann Act, which forbade the transportation of women across state lines for immoral purposes. Jack then fled the U.S. It was either that or a term in prison.

Thus it was that in 1913 and 1914, virtually on the eve of World War I, Johnson defended his title three times in Paris. The first bout was a two-round knockout of Andre Sproul on Nov. 28, 1913. On December 19, the Galveston Giant fought a draw with huge Battling Jim Johnson in 10 rounds. Jack claimed he broke his arm in that one. Then, on June 27, 1914, Johnson outpointed Frank Moran in 20 rounds, with Georges Carpentier acting as referee.

On April 5, 1915, under a blazing sun at Havana, Cuba, Johnson was halted by big Jess Willard, the Pottawattomie Cowboy in the 26th round. Johnson maintained for years that he "threw" the fight and wrote a confession for Ring editor Nat Fleischer, which is still on display in the Ring Museum. He later admitted it was not true.

It was not until October 22, 1933, that a heavyweight title contest was again staged outside the United States. Primo Carnera, the Italian Goliath, had stopped Jack Sharkey in June, 1933, to gain the crown. Carnera, of course, was welcomed back to Italy as the hero of heroes. He was lionized and practically deified. In his first defense, held in Rome, the 6-5, 263-pound Carnera met Paolino Uzcudun, the veteran warhorse from Spain, who could take it as well as anyone whoever climbed through the ropes. The not very exciting contest went the full 15-round route with Carnera winning the decision.

Following Carnera, came the reigns of Max Baer, Jimmy Braddock, Joe Louis, Ezzard Charles, Jersey Joe Walcott and Rocky Marciano. Of the 40-odd heavyweight title engagements held during that period, all took place on American soil.

With the retirement of Marciano, Floyd Patterson halted Archie Moore to become the new title holder in 1956. Following his loss of the crown to Ingemar Johansson in June, 1959, Floyd became the first and only man to regain the heavyweight championship by halting Ingo in June, 1960.

After again disposing of Johansson, in March, 1961, Patterson journeyed North of the Border, to Toronto, Canada, where he took care of Tom McNeeley in four sessions, with Jersey Joe Walcott acting as third man.

The only other champion to have put the heavyweight title up for grabs outside the U.S. was Muhammad Ali Cassius Clay, who defeated Sonny Liston for the crown in 1964.

After taking care of Liston again, as well as former champ Patterson in 1965, Ali made his next four defenses, all in 1966, in foreign lands.

On March 29, Clay defeated George Chuvalo in Maple Leaf Gardens, Toronto, in 15 rounds. Then, in the merry month of May, Clay crossed the Atlantic to dispose of Henry Cooper in the sixth round at Arsenal Stadium, London. Cooper, who had floored Muhammad in their first meeting before Clay won the title, was a bloody mess at the end.

It was Brian London's turn next. On August 6, he was neatly dispatched by Cassius in the third round at London's Earl's Court.

Then, in the only heavyweight title encounter ever fought in Germany, Clay stopped German Karl Mildenberger in the 12th round after being given a somewhat rough time by the southpaw.

It used to be that the heavyweight title was considered almost an American monopoly, with very few foreigners allowed in. But, now, with the advent of Foreman, it is most ironic that, though an American holds the crown, he has not put it on the line in the U.S.

Maybe things will change. Maybe they won't. At any rate, it's a very strange situation which seems to be the way almost everything is nowadays.

STRACEY AND FINNEGAN MAKE EUROPEAN FISTIC HEADLINES

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Frenchman settle down. Menetrey was never happy with the situation. Menetrey's right eyebrow was cut in round five and, by the sixth, he had a swelling under his left eye.

Stracey got a little careless in frame six and ran into a couple of good right hand punches from Menetrey. The third man also warned him for throwing a low blow.

Kevin Finnegan, brother of Chris, outpointed Frenchman Bouttier over the full distance rounds to win the European 160 lb. diadem.

Finnegan, with only 24 previous starts to his credit, was in full command. Often, it was Bouttier who looked the novice. Bouttier was always dangerous in trying to save his crown by landing one good payoff punch.

The Britain could not afford to take any risks. He just boxed and gathered the points with a good left.

In the fourth, the Frenchman turned on the heat but Finnegan remained calm. The Briton's eyes were cut in round five and by the sixth his left eye looked really bad.

Finnegan received a couple of warnings in the ninth, one for a careless head butt and another for holding. As the fight went on, it was clear that Bouttier was only at work in the first two minutes and then coasted the final 60 seconds of each round.

Finnegan went ahead in the final five rounds. In the 13th, the Frenchman slipped to the canvas but there was no count. Bouttier went all out for a KO in the final frame for he knew it was the only way he could save his crown. Finnegan, with the title in his pocket, took no risks or chances.

Referee Domenico Carabalese, Italy, made Finnegan the winner 147 – 145, and both the Spanish and German judges voted for the Briton.

THE BRITISH ISLES

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Conteh entered the ring as favorite, but southpaw Finnegan boxed well early on, planting that accurate right jab on his opponent's face and certainly giving no indication that he would be put out of his stride by the fierce aggression of the champion.

Conteh warmed up as the fight progressed, and got in one or two solid blows to the jaw, although Chris made him miss on occasion. Finnegan favoured a left to the body, a good punch, but one which earned a censure for being allegedly low.

From the fourth round Conteh raised the tempo, coming forward throwing punches from both hands, albeit some of them were wild and missed. Finnegan had to call on all his skills to withstand the champion's attack, and a cut by the left eye sustained in the fifth was the signal for a Conteh assault, hooks and swings forcing Finnegan to cover up.

The incident at the end of the round with Conteh continuing to punch away didn't exactly endear him to Finnegan fans, and the latter's eye injury bled again in the sixth.

This encouraged Conteh to even greater efforts and there were several close-quarter exchanges with heads bobbing dangerously. When Finnegan emerged with blood flowing referee Dakin intervened. A disappointing ending to what had looked like producing a first-class encounter.

Conteh would have liked to have won more decisively, Finnegan was understandably disappointed at not being allowed to continue, and thought the fight was anything but over.

There couldn't be a more sporting loser than Finnegan. When Conteh went across to his corner to commiserate with him he shook hands and whispered in John's ear "Don't forget to save me a ticket for your world title fight."

A word on Conteh's performance – he showed aggression and confidence and was quick to take advantage whenever he saw the opportunity present itself.

And if Conteh should win the world title, Finnegan would be No.1 in the queue for another shot at the British crown.

Bunny Johnson, Birmingham, 187, No.1 contender for the British heavyweight title, made it 17 wins in a row by easily outpointing American-based Oliver Wright, 196, over ten by 99½-97.

Both were born in Jamaica, but instead of this producing something a bit special, it turned out to be a boring contest. Wright was twice warned to put more effort into his work, and many of his blows were of the "slapping" variety.

Wright had advantages in height and reach, and for once Johnson's timing was off.

There was a slow-hand clap in the fourth from dissatisfied fans, and Wright seemed intent only on survival, hanging on at the slightest pretext.

Johnson stepped up the pace from the sixth and as his opponent tired was able to score freely with left jabs and following right crosses. Twice he caught his man with punches that obviously hurt, but Wright continued his spoiling tactics, and the fight moved to its inevitable result, a comfortable points win for Johnson.

British and Commonwealth heavyweight champion Danny McAlinden was watching this contest, but walked out before the end.

For the fourth time in 11 months, Alan Minter, Crawley, 161, lost a fight on an eye injury, and each time he had looked like winning. This time his opponent was American Ricky Ortiz, 155¾, the bout stopped in the third.

This time the cut was by the left eye, but his three previous defeats had been through injuries to his right eye.

At the time of the stoppage it looked as if Ortiz wouldn't have complained if the contest had been halted in Minter's favour, for he seemed to have lost heart after being outjabbed and outfought, also frequently warned.

Ortiz was the shorter man, and consequently his head was always bobbing around Minter's face. An untidy contest because of Ortiz' tactics, and it looked as if the American's head had been responsible for cuts around Minter's left eye in the first and again in the third round.

After the second cut referee Harry Gibbs needed only a cursory examination before he stopped it.

Minter afterwards told me – "I think I know what is wrong, and why I get these cuts. I changed my style in order to go forward, straight at my opponent. Obviously my old style, when I circled my opponent, was better for me. I was never cut in the whole of my amateur career, so there's no reason why I should get cut now."

Eddie Neilson, Swindon, 207, stopped Dave Roden, Birmingham, 192, in the second after Roden had been decked four times.

John L. Gardner, Hackney, 204¼, brought his unbeaten run to nine by stopping substitute Sid Paddock, Southampton, 195½, in four. Last time they met Gardner also stopped his man.

Billy Williams, West Ham, 175, narrowly outpointed Victor Attivor, Ghana, 176, over eight by 79½-79, but there were many who thought Attivor deserved at least a share of the spoils. It was only Attivor's third pro bout.

"Nobbins" were thrown in after Steve Foley, Bedford, 178, had outpointed Johnny Wall, Shoreditch, 175, over eight by 79½-79, unusual at a major hall, but indicative of the way the ringsiders enjoyed the contest.

▲**Norbreck Castle Hotel, Blackpool** — Southpaw Mike Manley, Pontypool, 161, outscored Charlie Small, Kings Cross, 160, over eight by 79½-78½. Manley's good work in the early stages served him in good stead when Small staged a fine rally.

Les McGowan, Liverpool, 182, survived a first-round knockdown and stopped Eddie Patterson, Nigeria, 175, in the second, flooring him twice before the referee intervened.

Richard Scarth, Malton, 120, was also floored, but got up to outpoint Jimmy Killeen, Bootle, 118, 79-78½, over eight. Killeen was making a reappearance after six month's inactivity owing to a broken hand, yet floored his man in the third. Scarth recovered well, and could well have won in the fifth, but Killeen saw it through to the end.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Ian Pickersgill, Doncaster, 138, stopped Glyn Watts, Llanelli, 139, who sustained a cut eye, in the fifth round. Pickersgill looked to be ahead.

Alun Trembath, Tonyrefail, 130, beat Joey Gilbert, Leeds, 130, who retired at the end of the second with a bad cut on the upper lip.

Only two fights on this programme of dinner-boxing, the annual Ladies Night.

▲**St. Andrews Sporting Club, Glasgow** — Scottish lightweight champion Alan Buchanan, Edinburgh, 132, could obtain only a draw against Southern Area champion Noel McIvor, Luton, 136¼, over eight rounds.

Buchanan, with brother Ken and father Tom in his corner, was doing well enough until the third, when he hurt his right hand, and said he had also hurt his left in the fifth, when McIvor had a cut by the left eye.

Buchanan's hand injuries meant he could not follow up his advantage, and the eye injury seemed to pull out the best in McIvor, who did will enough in the second half to share the honours.

Rab Affleck, Irvine, 175½, stopped Billy Brooks, Chiswick, 173½, who retired at the end of the third with an injured hand.

Debutant Tone Kerr, Aberdeen, 125½, outscored Billy Smart, Borby, 128, by 59-58 over six, and looked good doing so.

Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, made his unbeaten run 13 as he stopped Ray Fallone, Battersea, 142, who retired with double vision at the end of the second. Substitute Fallone looked in trouble in the first, and paid a brief visit to the canvas.

▲**Royal Albert Hall, London** — British and Commonwealth featherweight champion Evan Armstrong, Ayr, knocked out Vernon Sollas, Edinburgh, in the eighth round of a scheduled ten-rounder. Both were inside 128 pounds.

It was as dramatic a contest as I have seen for some time, and a victory for experience over youth, and of durability over skill.

The 19-year-old Sollas outboxed the 31-year-old champion for five rounds. He kept his man off-balance with perfect left jabs to the face and brilliant footwork. The fans cheered as he made Armstrong look anything but a champion.

But all this was of course in the first half of the fight, and shrewd critics knew that it was going to be the last half that would count.

Before the fight I mentioned that I couldn't see any point in Sollas taking this fight, and someone asked "How can you hold him back?"

My reply — "You don't have to. There's several British nine-stoners that he could be matched against in order to gain more experience. Why take the champion in a non-title fight? He's got nothing to gain. He has time on his side. He may win, but why take the chance?"

And that is of course what Sollas was taking. He was banking on being able to use his skill to keep Armstrong at bay for ten rounds, and that is what could have happened if the pattern of the first five rounds had continued.

But Armstrong, is no ordinary mortal. He does not profess to be a classic boxer, but you don't get to be a champion unless you have something going for you, and Evan has the never-say-die approach coupled with superb fitness, a tribute to himself and to his trainer Danny Vary. He can also punch a bit, and all these factors contributed to Sollas' downfall.

Add to these pride and determination, and that about sums up Evan Armstrong, and explains why he took over after Sollas had made all the early running.

Armstrong came forward at the first bell, and thereafter rarely took a backward step. This meant that Sollas was able to score with neat jabs on the retreat, but it also meant that the latter had to use up a lot of energy, and was never able to relax or take a breather.

Armstrong bled from the nose and there was a bruising under the right eye. He was being made to look like a very ordinary fighter, and Sollas had so much confidence as he gave his

man a boxing lesson.

After five rounds it seemed that only a sudden Sollas collapse could save Armstrong from a points defeat. But the sixth saw a change of pattern, only slight, but significant. Sollas was having to stand his ground now, and although he was still landing punches, he was having to take even harder blows in return.

Four rounds to go. Could Armstrong, even now, pull it out of the fire. Bleeding from the mouth, the champion stalked his man in the seventh, shook him with a hard right to the head, took a few light blows in return, then floored Sollas with a left that didn't look all that lethal.

Sollas took a count of eight, and even managed to land his own right to the chin before the bell ended the round. But the writing was very much on the wall.

No fancy footwork from Sollas now. His legs had lost their spring, and Armstrong knew that this was what he had been waiting for, and that it was the moment to launch an all-out attack. Which he did.

Soon he was on the canvas again, and took another eight count. As he got up I sensed that it was just a matter of time, but he had to take several more clubbing rights to the head before one of them sent him reeling across the ring to fall with the back of his head striking the canvas.

There was not the slightest chance of him beating the count, and this ended an intriguing contest that I hope will not have any physical effect on Sollas or do his confidence any harm.

A fine recovery and victory for Armstrong, who dislikes the bright lights of London, and was going back to Scotland the same night so that he could watch his son compete at his school Sports Day the following day.

Let me go on record as saying that I still think Sollas will win a British title. He has more than enough skill, the stamina will come with more experience.

Another British champion taking part in a non-title fight was Larry Paul, the light middleweight titleholder, from Wolverhampton, 158½, who stopped one of his top challengers, Tom Imrie, Scotland, 154¼, in the eighth of their scheduled ten-rounder.

The match was made at 157 pounds, and Paul had to payy £50 for being one-and-a-quarter pounds overweight.

These two never stopped punching, and both punched hard. Paul was in command, however, and used both hands to good effect, with crisp lefts to head and body, and following rights.

Imrie had a cut above the left eye, bled from the nose, and this could not be stemmed as the fight progressed. Amazingly he twice stopped to try and pick up his gumshield during the action, with Paul coming in each time to crack home head punches as Tom was stooping.

In the first place Imrie should know that a boxer has to protect himself at all times and secondly it's not too easy to pick up a gumshield with a glove.

The second time he did this was in the eighth, and with Paul taking advantage of the situation and punishing his man freely the referee intervened, with Irmie protesting that he could continue. John L. Gardner, John L. Gardner, Hackney, 200 stopped substitute John Celebanski, Bradford, 199, in three. When they met a month earlier Gardner won in seven.

Fine pro debut for Jimmy Batten, Millwall, 149½, from the Terry Lawless stable, who comfortably outpointed George Salmon, Stoke, 151¾, over six by 60-58. Salmon was down in the third, but fought back well, and Batten commendably kept cool under pressure, and had his man in trouble again in the final session.

Ray Holdcroft, Stoke, 137, outscored Johnny Claydon, West Ham, 129, over six by 59-58½. A close one, with Claydon starting confidently and tiring towards the close.

Claydon had been inactive for six months because of a hernia operation and understandably tired as the fight progressed. His early left-hand work was impressive, as was his footwork. But Holdcroft, although slower, stuch to his task, and wore his opponent down.

Dave Mullins, Tottenham, 166, outpointed Lloyd Gardner, Acton, over six "twos" by 59½-58.

▲**Manor Place Baths, London** — European bantamweight champion Johnny Clark, Walworth, outpointed Italian Luigi Tessarin, over ten rounds by the wide margin of 99½-98. Both were inside the stipulated weight of 120.

There was some confusion about whether the Italian had signed for eight or ten rounds, but to resolve the situation matchmaker made an additional payment to Tessarin.

As this promotion was for the Mayor of Southwark's charity Clark boxed for expenses only.

Clark did all the forcing, with Tessarin boxing on the defensive. Johnny jabbed and hooked accurately with his left, and was particularly effective when he got to close quarters.

With Tessarin being forced backwards more and more, it was no surprise that he didn't fancy two extra rounds. He was cut by the left eye in the ninth and subjected to quite a bit of pressure in the final session. Clark was bruised under the left eye, but it was nothing serious.

Vernon Sollas Edinburgh, 124, impressed in stopping Bashew Sibaca, South Africa, 122½, who retired at the end of the sixth. When they met previously Sollas won on points, but this time he was in no mood for hanging around.

Sibaca was decked twice in the sixth, and the official reason for the stoppage was because he had injured his left shoulder.

Sollas boxed competently, jabbing neatly with his left and hardly wasted a punch. When the openings came he took them, and after sampling the two right-hands to the jaw that floored him, Sibaca was saved by the bell and considerably shaken.

Charlie Small, U.S.A., 161½, outscored Batman Austin, Tottenham, 160, over six "twos" by 59-58½. A hard-fought bout, with Small repeating a previous points win, and Austin battling for survival in the later stages.

Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 147, was always in front of Liam White, Wells, 152, outpointing him by 79½-77½, over eight "twos."

Hardiman kept punching away in spite of injuries to his nose and a bruiser under the left eye, while White was cut over the left eye. This did not deter either man from throwing a lot of leather, but Hardiman deserved his victory for his work-rate and cleaner punching.

Alec Tompkins, West Ham, 164, kept his unbeaten record by stopping Mick Lock, Croydon, 160¼, in two after flooring him three times.

▲**Cleethorpes Winter Gardens** — Central Area welterweight champion Mickey Flynn, Manchester, 148, beat Les Pearson, Pontefract, 150, the bout being stopped at the end of the sixth round when Pearson was cut over the right eye.

Flynn too was cut over the right eye in the fourth, and realising his own danger, stepped up the pace in an effort to stop his man, succeeding when his southpaw right lead infilcited the cut on Pearson's eye.

A good bout while it lasted, with little in it.

When they told Dennis Brannigan he was boxing at the Winter Gardens, Brannigan assumed it was at Blackpool. So he travelled there from Middlesbrough, found it was the wrong venue, and did a further 140 miles to Cleethorpes, arriving 20 minutes before his fight.

Alas, Brannigan, 152, was beaten by Keith Nugent, Stoke, 154, having to retire with an injured thumb at the end of the third after being floored three times.

Unbeaten John Laine, Grimsby, 151, kept his record by drawing with Jim Devanney, Bradford, 152, over six "twos," but most fans seemed to think Devanney had done enough to win.

George Salmon, Stoke, 152, outscored Dave Moore, Grimsby, 152, by 60-58½ over six "twos." Salmon kept his accurate left hand working, and Moore was unable to get near enough to do any damage.

▲**Anglo-American SC, London** — Southpaw Maurice Hope, Antigua, stopped Welsh champion Dave Davies, Bangor, 152, in eight, after flooring him in the second. Hope was well in front at the close, producing hooks, jabs and uppercuts that usually found their target.

Full marks to Davies for keeping going and making it such a good fight.

Tommy Wright, Doncaster, 126, outpointed John Mitchell, Fife, 126, over eight by 79½-78. Wright went after his man from the first bell and kept up the pressure throughout. Both got eye injuries, in what was a good crowd-pleaser.

Oscar Angus, Aylesbury, 161, outscored Joe Gregory, Mitcham, 163, by 79-78 over eight "twos." Angus used a good left jab to keep his man at bay, and also scored with fast combination punches. Gregory was plucky enough, but Angus kept much busier to earn his victory.

▲**Midlands Sporting Club, Solihull** — Bob Tuckett, Leeds, 173, outscored Danny Fontilio, Bermondsey, 172, by 79½-77 over eight, and Tuckett's win was as comfortable as the scoreline suggests.

When they met nearly twelve months earlier Fontilio won narrowly on points, but this time Tuckett gave him no time to settle, kept it close, nullified Dann's attempts to make it a long-range battle, and was good value for his victory.

Victor Attivor, Ghana, 180, looked good in outpointing Steve Foley, Bedford, 188½, over eight by 80-77. Foley was floored in the first and fourth rounds.

George McGurk, Jarrow, 137, outpointed Tony Cunningham, 136, Liverpool, over eight by 79¾-77½. Cunningham was down twice, but came back well to make a good fight of it.

Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 145, gained an eight-rounds points win over Jim Montague, Coventry, 145¼, by 78½-78. Simpson looked to have the upper hand most of the way and was the cleaner puncher.

▲**Great International SC, Nottingham** — George McGurk, Jarrow, 134½, was anything but a popular points winner over Central Area lightweight champion Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 128, and many fans showed their dissatisfaction of the 79-78 scoreline.

Hardacre bustled his way in front during the first half of the fight, McGurk impressed in the later stages, and a draw would have satisfied most ringsiders.

Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 188, conceded height and reach, was still found no difficulty in outpointing Lloyd Stewart, Sheffield, 189, over six by 60-58½. Stewart did well to survive the final round, when Fenton was hooking hard.

Dick Goodman, Kettering, 135, had a successful pro debut by stopping Tommy Naylor, Liverpool, 134½, in the third after decking him twice in the second.

Dave Ward, Manchester, 136, stopped Steve Gaze, Bournemouth, 135, in the sixth and final session after flooring him in the first round.

▲**Adelphi Hotel, Liverpool** — George Turpin, Liverpool, 117¾, kept his Central Area bantamweight title by stopping Frankie Taberner, Blackpool, 117½, in three, referee Wally Thom intervening to save Taberner from further punishment.

When they met for the vacant crown two months earlier Turpin stopped his man in eight. This time he was in even more devastating form, and could well go on to annex the British title that was held by his manager Alan Rudkin.

Taberner was floored in the opening session with a body punch, and twice more in the third.

George Salmon, Stoke, 149¾, reversed a previous verdict by outpointing Joe Lally, Liverpool, 150, over eight by 79-78. Lally was down in the fourth, bled from the mouth, but produced a good rally in an excellent contest.

▲**Guildhall Southampton** — Jan Magdziarz, Southampton, 160½, pleased the home supporters by outpointing Mike Manley, Pontypool, 162, over eight by 80-78, which meant he hadn't lost a round.

Jan boxed cautiously at the start, but warmed up in the fourth when he floored his man for three with a right hook, and again in the fifth and seventh, both times for eight.

Manley pluckily kept punching away, and landed a good shot in the final session, but Magdziarz was a comfortable winner.

Peter Brisland, Southampton, 172½, outscored Terry Armstrong, Manchester, 177, over eight by 79-78½. A close one, and a verdict with which not everyone agreed.

This was the second time Brisland had outpointed Armstrong by a narrow margin, and the latter defended well in the early stages. Brisland's left came more into evidence later on, when Terry tired.

Kevin Paddock, Southampton, 159, floored Alan Bursey, Bournemouth, 162, four times before the bout was stopped in the fifth. A former amateur, Kevin is only 18, and shaped well.

Sid Paddock, Southampton, 196, elder brother of Kevin, knocked out George Davies, Manchester, 197, in the sixth with a right hook and it was a full minute before Davies was able to leave the ring.

Toni Mikulski, Portsmouth, 222, outpointed Kevin Madden, Manchester, 212, by 60-57½ over six.

▲**National Sporting Club, London** — Steve Angell, Hemel Hempstead, 147½, impressed in stopping Derek Simpson, Kilmarnock, 145, in the fourth, after decking him three times. It was Angell's 14th straight win, and after paving the way with his southpaw right jabs he opened up his opponent's defences with left hooks to the head.

Victor Attivor, Ghana, 177¼, outscored Tony Blackburn, Tonyrefail, 185, by 60-59 over six, finishing strongly.

Billy Smart, Corby, 130½, drew with Alun Trembath, Tonyrefail, 127½, over six. A fair result.

Barton McAllister, Balham, 141, repeated a previous win by outscoring Herbie McLean, Edinburgh, 137½, over six by 58½-58. McLean was in trouble at the end of the second but survived, and it was McAllister who tired in the last round.

▲**New Century Hall, Manchester** — George McGurk, Jarrow, 134½, stopped Central Area lightweight champion Billy Hardacre, Liverpool, 127½, in six. When they met a month previously McGurk won a disputed decision. On this occasion McGurk proved he was the better man.

A left to the jaw put Hardacre down for eight in the sixth, and when he rose McGurk gave him no respite until the referee intervened.

Bob Murphy, Manchester, 158, beat Pat Brogan, Crewe, 162, who was ruled out in the fourth for pulling his man on. There had been previous warnings, and Murphy too had been censured for alleged illegal use of the head.

Murphy's left eye was cut, but he looked to be just in front.

Al Stewart, Burscough, 145½, kept his unbeaten record by defeating Alan Hardiman, Hemel Hempstead, 147, who retired with an ankle injury at the end of the third. Hardiman was decked in the first.

Eddie Fenton, Leicester, 189, confirmed a previous win by outpointing Lloyd Stewart, Sheffield, 202, over six. Score 60-56½, which was overwhelming.

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scheduled ten.

The crowd numbered 1100 and the gate was $4150.

Dave Kibby, 129, Eureka, dec. over Jesus Robles, 129, San Jose, (8); Pasqual Caldera, 119, San Francisco, and Edgar Cabalhin, 123, Stockton, tech. draw (5).

▲**SAN DIEGO** – Out of action for several months, Irish Mike Nixon, 157, Glendale(Cal.), had too much power for Vicente Medina, 158, Tucson, Arizona, in their 10-rounder at the Coliseum.

Nixon clearly won seven out ot the ten and qualified for a match with Denny Moyer for promoter Mickey Davies.

Mike Weaver, 199½, Pomona, KO over Lee Mandingo, 263, Milwaukee, (2). Mandingo is also known as Orville Qualls. Rudy Hernandez, 136 3/4, Stanton, KO over Danny Tapia, 132, Mexico, (2); Manny Lujan, 124, Los Angeles, KO over Yuma Duran, 126, (1).

▲**LOS ANGELES** – The Olympic is featuring so many Japanese fighters, it could be called the "House of Nippon".

Buzz Saw Yamabe, 135½, Tokyo, was too busy for Lino Cordero, 133, Caracas, Venzuela, in their 10-rounder. Yamabe just tosses a lot of punches, never giving Cordero a chance to get set.

It should be pointed out that the South American was a late replacement.

Lorenzo(Baby)Maldonado, 126, Los Angeles, dec. over Raul Morales, 133, Mexico, (6); Mario Garcia, 150, East Los Angeles, KO over Tony Gonzalez, 149, Pomona, (2); Fernando Gil, 140, Los Angeles, KO over Rocky Pope, 141½, So. West Los Angeles, (2).

▲**SAN DIEGO** – Unbeaten Irish Ronnie McGarvey, 126¾, Baltimore, was an impressive knockout winner over Jose Olivares, 126, Tijuana, Mexico, in the main event at the Coliseum.

A southpaw, McGarvey used his right to keep Olivares in trouble all night. Olivares was out of it, when the fight was ended midway in the fifth.

Randy Shields, 1973, national Golden Gloves lightweight champion, looked good in stopping Moses Carbin, 137, Los Angeles, in the fourth round. Shields, from North Hollywood, weighed 138.

Danny Tapia, 133½, San Diego, dec. over Manuel Jumenez, 134, Los Angeles, (5); Manny Lujan, 124, Los Angeles, dec. over Yuma Duran, 126, San Diego, (4).

▲**STOCKTON** — Sal Aguilar, 119, of the Phillipines, had a battle on his hands in the person of Flabio Barcena, 118½, Los Angeles. After ten action packed rounds, Aguilar was awarded a narrow decision.

In a supporting 10-rounder, often beaten Lobito Montoya, 136½, San Jose, finally hit the winning column. Lobito shaded Alberto Reyes, 136½, Manila.

Johnny Pinedo, 149, Modesto, stopped Juvencio Bernal, 148, Mexico, in the third round of their scheduled six rounder.

▲**SACREMENTO** — Latest prospect in the Capital, Pete Tanzany, 147, was impressive in knocking out Roger Buckskin, 146, Portland, in the seventh round of a scheduled eight round main event.

Joey Lopes, one time lightweight contender of the 50's is the manager of Ranzany.

Fidel Fraijo, 127, San Jose, decisioned over Armando Mendieta, 125½, Sacremento, (6); Pascual Caldera, 119, San Jose, decisioned over Raul Reyes, 122, Sacramento, (6); Dave Kibby Jr., 134, Sacremento, outpointed over Jesus Robles, 133, San Jose, (4).

▲**SAN DIEGO** — It was no. 25 against no losses for Chile's Renato Garcia, 157, who took a unaminous 10 round decision over Chucho Garcia, 157, Reynosa, Mexico at the Coliseum.

The 22-year-old Chilean led 6-2, 6-3, and 5-3, on the three official scorecards. Garcia tried hard, but was no match for sharp shooting Renato.

In a second ten, Mike Mayon, 136, stopped veteran Cesar Sinda, 135½, African Congo, in the second round.

Felix Jasso, 139, Mexico, decision over Moses Carbin, 136, Los Angeles, (6); Tommy Nava, 129, San Diego, and Daniel Tapia, 131, Los Angeles, drew (4).

▲**SAN JOSE** — Classy Rudy Robles, 159, Los Angeles, had little trouble with Joe Gonzalves, 157, Oakland, in the 10 round feature at Civic Auditorium.

Robles, a smooth boxer, but not a heavy hitting, was a clear winner of seven out of the ten rounds.

Manuel Fierro, 159, Mexicali, Mex., nodded Tommy Hannah, 159, San Francisco, in a pleasing 10-rounder. Joe Johnson, 118½, Oakland, decisioned Pedro Torres, 118, San Jose, in a six rounder.

▲**LOS ANGELES** — Billy Lloyd, unranked Philadelphia welterweight, appears to have Zovek Barajas's number.

For the second straight time, Lloyd knocked out the highly rated Mexican. The first happening was in Mexicali, Mexico with Billy doing the job in two rounds.

Most fans thought Zovek's loss was a fluke, so a rematch was arranged at the Olympic Auditorium. This time it took Lloyd four rounds and four knockdowns.

The final knockdown, a devastating right to the chin, put Barajas out for five minutes. The club physician, Dr. Roger Thill, had Zovek hospitalized for a complete checkup.

A heavy-hitting southpaw, Lloyd caught Barajas with a left to the head in the first round to drop him for the first knockdown. Zovek never recovered.

After being down again in the third, Zovek rallied in the fourth, when Lloyd stated to slow down. However, a sharp right to the chin decked Barajas and soon after he rose the knockout punch dropped him at 1:55 of the fourth.

Referee Eddie Fierro didn't bother to count and quickly summoned Dr. Thill into the ring.

In a companion ten, Jose Luis Lopez, 129, Mexico, halted Shig Fukuyama, 128, Tokyo, at 2:14 of the fifth round.

Lopez was in command from the first round and had the Japanese down in the fourth. The fight was stopped in the fifth with Fukuyama taking too much punishment.

Antonio Garcia, 122, Mexico, decision over Yosh Shikauchi, 124, Tokyo, (6). The crowd numbered 6320 and the gate was $21.457.

▲**SAN DIEGO** — After a sluggish start, David Love, 158, San Diego, came to life and floored Mario Marquez, twice enroute to an easy 10 round decision at the Coliseum.

Marquez, 155, Ensenada, puzzled Love with his southpaw style. But the Border City middleweight started moving in the middle rounds, scoring knockdowns in the fifth and sixth rounds.

Love led on all three scorecards, 7-1, 10-1 and 11-0.

▲**SAN DIEGO** — Stocky Art Hafey had to pick himself off the floor to score an exciting two round knockout over Ricardo Garcia, 128, Mexico, in the main event on promoter Mickey Davies' card at the Coliseum.

Hafey, 126¼, Nova Scotia, was down and hurt from a right hand blow near the end of the first round. The colorful little Irishman shook off the effects and then battered Garcia into submission after 2:21 of the second.

It was Art's first outing since his loss to Ruben Olivares at the Los Angeles Forum.

Carlos Palomino, 146, San Gabriel, decision over David Arellano, 148½, Los Angeles, (6); Jimmy Marshall, 150, knockout over Gonzalo Rodriguez, 148, Mexico, (6).

▲**SACRAMENTO** — Unbeaten Joe Guevara, 123, Sacramento, collected his eighth straight win via a 10 round decision over Eddie Logan, 122, New York, at Memorial Auditorium.

There were no knockdowns, but Guevara began to take charge in the sixth round and was a convincing winner.

In the six round semifinal, Gene Smith, 173, Los Angeles, decisioned Cisco Solario, 169, San Francisco.

▲**LOS ANGELES** — Making his initial start as a main eventer, Victor Abraham, 135½, Long Beach, took a split decision in 10 rounds from Yosh Ogawa, 136¼, Tokyo, at the Olympic Auditorium.

Abraham, only 19-years-old, fought flawlessly until the sixth round, when he ran out of petrol. Ogawa also tired and couldn't overcome Victor's lead.

The youngster now has a 6-2 record. He is managed by Jerry Moore, one time stablemate of Sugar Ray Robinson.

Carlos Becerrill, 129½, Los Angeles, KO over Rod Contreras, 131½, East Los Angeles, (2); Juan Morales, 141, Mexicali, decision over Claude Durden, 139, Los Angeles, (6); Marty Monroe, 197, Los Angeles, decisioned David Smith, 175, Los Angeles, (5).

7SAN DIEGO — Oscar(The Shotgun) Albarado tuned up for his junior middleweight title fight by decisioning Eddie Mazon of San Diego in 10 rounds at the Coliseum.

Albarado, 160, Uvalde, Texas, kept Mazon off balance with strong left hands to the head. The crowd booed the verdict, but it was unanumous. Mazon, weighed 157½.

Other results: Danny Tapia, 133½, Los Angeles, and Tommy Nava, 129½, San Diego, drew (6); Manny Lujan, 122, Los Angeles, KO over Moises Garcia, 120¾, Los Angeles, (1); Tony Gonzales, 147, National City, KO over Derold Garbutt, 148, Los Angeles, (4).

▲**LOS ANGELES** — After 33 straight wins, Irish Jimmy Heair of Ignacio, Colo., finally tasted defeat. It came at the hands of underdog Rudy Barro of the Phillipines at the Olympic Auditorium.

In one of the best fights of the year, Barro came on with a roar in the last two rounds to earn the split decision. the stocky Filipino couldn't miss Jimmy in the ninth and tenth frames.

Heair, who was engaging in his first fight in five months following nose surgery, gave Barro plenty of credit. "He fought a helluva fight. I thought I was in good shape, but I was worn out in the last couple of rounds".

From the second round on, the good looking Irishman was bleeding from the nose and a cut over left eye. Barro was also cut, he suffered his over the right eye in the fifth round.

Taking off four pounds in the afternoon, did not deprive Barro of either strength or stamina. The win upped his record to 46-4. He weighed 138, Heair, 136¾.

In the middle rounds, Heair rallied and looked like he might drop the Manila boxer. However, Barro displayed an iron chin to coast out the storm.

Heair was rated as one of the top five lightweights and was hopeful of landing a shot at Roberto Duran this summer.

Raul Rosette, 118½, Los Angeles, decision over Jose Flores, 118, Mexico, (6); Antonio Garcia, 123½, Los Angeles, KO over Oscar Ortiz, 125, Mexico, (2); Roy Holloway, 139, Los Angeles, decisioned Costenito Rodriguez, 138, East Los Angeles, (5).

MIKE BAKER SCORES KO OVER SOFTIE CARRIEBELLO

By JACK LEVINSON

Richmond, Va. — Irish Mike Baker, 158, Washington, D.C., barely broke a sweat in the 10 round scheduled bout at the Richmond Arena. Jerry Carriebello, 160, New York, lasted only 1:45 of the 3rd rd. The 800 spectators did not enjoy the proceedings.

Unbeaten in 3 bouts, policeman Greg Lamour (159) of Norfolk, advanced further up the fistic ladder, by scoring a 3 round TKO over David Rhoads (158) of Greensboro, N.C. This bout could hardly be called a contest, it must be labeled "a war". The first 2 rounds, each man stood toe to toe, and slugged each other from head to belly. The fans screamed for their favorite battler. At 1:48 of the 3rd round, Referee Billy Sahnow was forced to halt the brawl, because Rhoads hair headband broke, and he was in a disadvantage, leaving the referee but one thing to do, stop it.

Bubba Winfield, 225, Norfolk, won TKO 3rd round over Charles "Wild Horse" Byrd, 198 lbs. of Winston-Salem, N.C.

Hilbert Stevenson, 128, of Winston-Salem, N.C. scored a TKO in the 2nd round, over Rondell Stevens, 125, of Winston-Salem, N.C.

▲A lot of men joined the Navy to see the world, but few have seen it the way SN Russell "Rusty" Fickling has—from the inside of a Boxing ring. Thanks to his skill with his fists, he's now in the Soviet Union as part of a team selected by AAU from Military and Golden Gloves Champions. Fickling's record reads to this date, won 80 of 95 bouts; 51 by knockout.

Mike Johnson, a 118 pound seaman stationed at the Norfolk Air Station, has been in the Navy just under 2 years. Already he has won the All-Navy and Interservice 118 lbs. championships twice. The Columbus, Ohio native won the Ohio Golden Gloves and the AAU Championships in 1971 and 1972. Starting boxing in 1969, Johnson has won 53 of 58 bouts.

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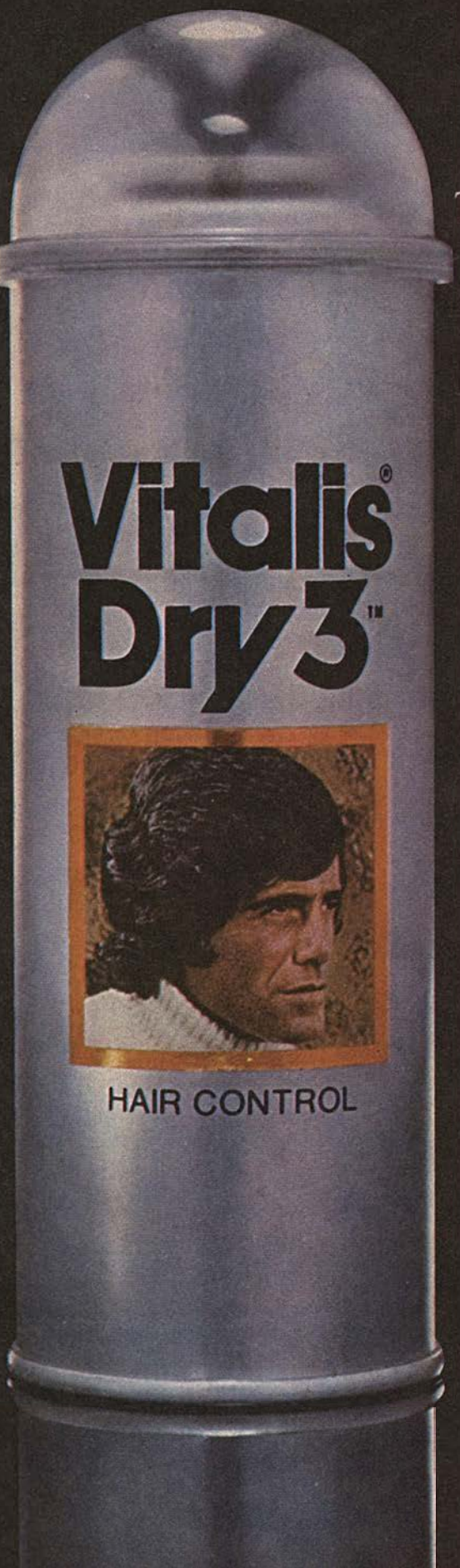

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